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VICTIMS OF AN ANGRY BULL

FARMER STOUT AND HIS WIFE GORED TO DEATH

By An Infuriated Beast — John Mowrey's Ghastly Find—Snow Concealed Their Bodies For Three Days.

The absence of life and activity around the Michael Heller farm, near Mifflinville, aroused the curiosity of neighbors last week to such an extent that on Sunday evening John Mowrey decided to ascertain, if possible, the cause of the unusual quietness and inactivity. Receiving no answer to repeated knocks at the door, he went to the barn. Here he found everything in a torn up condition, the animals, almost starved and famished, gave evidence that they had received no care or attention for several days. Leaving the barn his attention was challenged by a singular looking object, partly covered by the snow. An examination revealed the body of Mrs. Stout, terribly mangled, and close by lay the body of her husband, torn and mutilated almost beyond recognition. It is the supposition that Mr. and Mrs. Stout had gone to the barn to look after the chores; that Mr. Stout was taking the cattle to water, when he was attacked by an especially vicious bull and gored to death. His perilous position was discovered by his wife, who went to his assistance and met the same fate. Mrs. Stout was tossed so much that scarcely any clothing remained on her body. Her neck was broken and many deep gashes appeared on her body.

The shocking affair must have taken place before Thursday, as the bodies were covered with snow. The remains were taken in charge of by Undertaker Berninger, of Mifflinville.

It is the saddest event that has ever occurred in that section, and in consequence of which the whole community is in mourning.

The couple had been married about three years and had been living on the farm a little more than a year. They were aged thirty-seven and thirty-five years respectively, and had no children.

Mrs. Stout was a sister of A. B. Heller, who, for a time, up to about two years ago, was the manager of the Artificial Ice Company plant in this town.

The double funeral, which occurred yesterday, was the third event of the kind that has taken place from the house in which they lived within a few years. Two step sisters of Mrs. Stout died at the same time, and a short time thereafter, two step brothers were drowned in the Susquehanna River.

Mrs. O. O. Marr Passes Away.

Mrs. Susannah, the estimable wife of Chester C. Marr, after a protracted illness, died at her home on East Fourth Street Wednesday morning. Mrs. Marr had been in poor health for a long time. About two months ago she suffered a severe paralytic stroke, since which time her life had been dispaired of. She at times, appeared to get brighter, and would show signs of improvement, but last week her discomforts were increased by a second stroke of paralysis, which resulted in death. Mrs. Marr's maiden name was Kase. She was born in Northumberland County in 1825. She was married to C. C. Marr in 1860. She is survived by a husband and one daughter, Miss Dora.

Mrs. Marr was a woman who devoted all her time to her family circle. She was held in high esteem and during her life won the firm friendship of all who knew her, and leaves behind a remembrance that will not soon fade.

The funeral will take place from the house to-morrow afternoon at three o'clock. Services will be conducted by Rev. D. N. Kirkby, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, of which the deceased was a number.

The remains of Marvin McHenry arrived here on the D. L. & W. Railroad, from San Francisco, Cal, yesterday, and were placed on the B. & S. train and conveyed to the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira R. McHenry, at Benton, from where the funeral will occur to-morrow afternoon at two o'clock, with military honors.

For Rent.

Proctor Inn, well furnished, from Feb. 1st 1900. Rent cheap. Apply to G. E. Elwell or A. L. Fritz, Bloomsburg, Pa. tf

MRS. FRANCIS P. DRINKER.

After only a week's illness, Mrs. Francis P. Drinker died at her home on West Main Street, on Sunday March 18. A faithful communicant of St. Paul's Church, she was always interested and zealous in its work and welfare. She will be much missed by the parishioners in the services of the church and in the Parish House activities. All who knew her, thoroughly admired and respected her sterling Christian character and lofty principles. She died, as she had lived, confident in the support and "comfort of a reasonable, religious and holy hope" in favor with God and in perfect charity with the world.

She was laid to rest at Forest Hill cemetery, Scranton, in the family burial plot, on Tuesday. Services were conducted at the house by Rev. D. N. Kirkby at 9.30 o'clock, and the remains were taken to Scranton on the 10.47 train.

Mary Chamberlin Drinker was the daughter of John M. and Martha S. Chamberlin. Her father was for many years a Justice of the Peace in this town. She was born in Bloomsburg, December 12th, 1842, and was married to Francis P. Drinker October 13th, 1864. She leaves her husband, and three children, William W. and Francis P. Jr. of Scranton, and Mrs. W. P. Meigs of Bloomsburg. The eldest daughter, Martha, wife of Edwin N. Perrin of New York, died last fall. Mrs. Drinker was the only daughter in her father's family. She had four brothers, Mills and John, both deceased; James W. who lives in Virginia, and Michael whose home is at Dunmore.

Her last illness was of brief duration. On Saturday March 10th she was compelled to go to bed with a heavy cold, which soon developed into pneumonia. In the early morning of the 18th she died. The memory of her happy disposition, affable temperament and many admirable christian qualities will linger long with the many friends who knew her well and who mourn her loss.

CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS.

The annual conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church closed at Hazleton on Wednesday. The leading feature of the closing session was the appointment of pastors. Rev. B. C. Conner, who has been pastor here for the past five years has been assigned to Ridge Avenue Church, Harrisburg.

The appointments for the Danville District are as follows:

Presiding elder, William Evans; Ashland, Edwin Witman; Beech Haven, Samuel Fox; Beaver Meadow, Isaac Cadman; Benton, John Wilhelm; Berwick, Richard Gilbert; Bloomingdale, Jacob Diebel; Bloomsburg, William Frysinger; Buckhorn, Timothy Tubbs; Catawissa, Samuel Wilson; Catawissa circuit, Elmer McKelvey; Centralia, John W. Buckley; Conyingham, Richard Brooks; Danville, St. Paul's, Benjamin Dimmick; Trinity, Orlando Heck; Elysburg, James Glass; Espy and Lime Ridge, William H. Hartman; Excelsior, Frank H. Brunstetter; Fountain Spring, Charles H. Barnard; Freeland, William W. Hartman; Gordon, Reuben Wilson; Harveyville, William Rothrock; Hazleton, Diamond, Altred Miller; Hazleton, St. Paul's, Isaac N. Moorhead; Irish Valley, Oliver H. Albertson; Jamison City, Pierren Frecin; Jeanesville and Auderried, John Biskel; Jeddo, William Armstrong; Jerseytown, David Brouse; Jonestown, Samuel Carnil; Mifflinville, George Savidge; Milnesville and Lattimer, Amos Bruce; Mount Carmel, William A. Houck; Nescopeck, Joseph Clemens; Northumberland, Josiah Mumper; Orangeville and Light Street, John Grimes; Park Place and Delanco, Wilson Vandermark; Riverside, Freeman Vought; Rohrsburg, Seth Creveling; Selins' Grove, Henry Fortner; Shamokin, First Church, Alexander Miller; Second Church, Crawford Benscoter; Shamokin Mission, Lewis Dyer; Shickshinny, John Dougherty; Silver Brook, Robert Allen; Snydertown, Robert Armstrong, Sunbury, James Stein; Town Hill, Edgar Heckman; Treverton, William Hamlin; Waller, James Bettens; Wapwallopen, Philip Thomas; Washingtonville, Thomas M. Phillips; Weatherly, Robert M. Snyder; White Haven, S. Milton Frost.

Candidates for the Normal School base ball team made their first appearance on the diamond Tuesday afternoon. The makeup of the club will not be known for several weeks.

COMMITTEEMEN MEET.

DELEGATES CHOSEN TO THE DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION.

John G. McHenry, of Benton, Recommended as Delegate to the National Convention, Which Meets at Kansas City July 4.

In response to the call of Chairman of the County Committee C. A. Small, the committeemen assembled in the Court House at eleven o'clock on Saturday. First in order was the roll call. This was performed by W. A. Evert, county secretary. As a committee on resolutions the chairman appointed W. T. Creasy, C. H. Dildine, Wilson Rhoads, Peter Jones and John Langan.

Nominations of delegates to the next State Convention were asked for, and the following gentlemen named: Willits Demott, Millville; Russel Karns, Benton; Dr. H. V. Hower, Mifflinville; John G. Harman, Bloomsburg, and W. B. Snyder, Roaringcreek. According to the party rules five are necessary, and no more than that number being placed in nomination, the secretary was instructed to cast the vote.

The committee on resolutions handed in their report as follows:

1. That we emphatically favor the re-nomination for President that matchless leader and great expounder of Democratic principles, William J. Bryan.

2. That we recommend as delegate to the Democratic National Convention from the 17th Congressional District, John G. McHenry, late County Chairman, and hereby instruct our delegates this day elected to the coming State Convention, to use all honorable means to secure his nomination.

3. This committee most heartily endorses the wise and conservative leadership of our National Committeeman Col. James M. Guffey.

4. As delegates at large to the Democratic National Convention we instruct our delegates this day elected to the coming State Convention, to use all honorable means to secure the nomination of Col. J. M. Guffey and Hon. Rufus K. Polk.

5. We most heartily approve the record of our present Congressman, Hon. Rufus K. Polk.

WILLIAM T. CREASY,
PETER JONES,
C. H. DILDINE,
WILSON RHOADS,
JOHN LANGAN.

There being no further business on hand the meeting was given to discussion on various subjects. Distribution was made of by-laws and rules, which were recently prepared and printed, after which the meeting adjourned.

The attendance was very small, many districts being without representation.

HELPLESS BEFORE ANGRY FLAMES.

House and Wagon Shop Destroyed at Almedia.

A distructive fire, the origin of which was an overheated stove, visited Almedia, Saturday afternoon, and completely destroyed quite an extensive wagon and carriage shop, and a dwelling house. The former was the property of N. J. Englehart, and the latter, that of John Shellenberger. The fire was first discovered in the varnish room of the carriage factory. The stove had been neglected, until it became red hot and ignited some combustible material. The flames spread rapidly, and in almost less time than it takes to tell it, the entire structure was enveloped. Almedia's entire population gathered on the scene, but were powerless to render any assistance. There were several new wagons in the factory, all of which were burned up. The loss to Mr. Englehart is a severe one, as his property was uninsured. Mr. Shellenberger was more fortunate, but his insurance will not begin to cover his loss.

Dropped the Fowls and Fled.

A would-be chicken purloiner was foiled in his attempt to relieve David Savage's hen house of three of its finest specimens Saturday evening. He had succeeded in entering the apartment and lifting from the perch three hens, but in so doing some of the other chickens became disturbed and the cackling attracted the attention of some neighbors. Mrs. L. D. Kase and Mrs. P. A. Evans both heard the noise and had stepped outside their doors. While exchanging opinions as to the cause, a man stealthily emerged from the building. They commanded him to halt, but he dropped the fowls and fled.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

Council met Tuesday evening March 20th 1900. Members present W. O. Holmes, Pres.; J. S. Blue, W. E. Demaree, T. L. Smith, J. A. Cox and C. Cronan.

The President stated that during the past year no new work had been commenced or expenditures of any amount been made without a statement of the resources of the town being placed before the council, and the expenditures made accordingly, and requested the Secretary to explain where the increased indebtedness came from. The statement of 1899 and 1900 were carefully compared and it was found that all expenditures of last year had been decreased with the exception of the Fire Department which was increased $2,700 00 making a total increase of the debt last year of about $990.00.

A petition was presented for the extension of the sewer on Seventh street to the Gas Works which was granted.

The ordinance giving franchise to the Bloomsburg & Berwick Electric R. R was re enacted in favor of Columbia & Montour Electric R. R.

Meeting adjourned to meet Thursday March 22nd at 7:30 at which time the auditors are requested to be present and explain where the increased town indebtedness comes from.

An Enjoyable Trip.

In company with Mr. S. C. Creasy Tuesday morning the writer left Bloomsburg about 8 o'clock for a trip up Green Creek to look after a recent purchase of a fine timber tract, passing through Light Street, Orangeville, via Forks, thence to Jonestown, where one mile more of a drive brought us to the old Buckalew Homestead, finding it just about dinner time as we halted at the door of the genial A. M. Stevens, who recently moved from Kyttle to this place to look after the interests of Creasy & Wells for the next 3 years in getting the bark to market and the manufacturing of the lumber, shingles and lath. Mr. Stevens was just going to get a bucket of water from one of the large springs, when he noticed a large black water snake, which he killed. The snake was nearly 4 feet long, and none of us seemed just so very thirsty at that time His good wife soon had one of her palatable dinners tabled and you should have seen the eatables disappear.

After dinner we walked out in the woods where we found Mr. L. M. Petitt and his men placing the machinery which consists of a large saw mill, and lath mill. Mr. Petitt is an experienced sawyer and by the care used in setting his mills we are sure the out-put will be well manufactured. We then took to walking over the tract, which consists of about 260 acres of the best timbered land it has ever been our privilege to look at. Hemlock of immense diameter and unusual height predominates, though oak, pine, chestnut, beech and birch are in abundance. It will require four different settings of the mills, and 3 years to handle the bark and get to market the probable three million feet of lumber, four million shingles and four million plastering lath that this tract will produce. The place is historic, it being the home of the father of the late Hon. C. R. Buckalew as well as the present home of Capt. J. M. Buckalew who was not only a good soldier, but was appointed by ex-Governor Pattison on a commission of 5 of which Mr. Buckalew was made chairman, to locate and discribe the forts of Pennsylvania, and as we spent the evening with him and his wife and looked the two volumes over, and listened to him relate his experience in getting up the work, and adding his reminiscences of the early history of the locality in which he lives, we were most delightfully entertained and surprised at his retentive memory. After being royally taken care of for the night at the home of Mr. Stevens, at 9 o'clock in the morning we started for home, when two miles below Jonestown we passed 4 hunters, two of which were Hess boys by name. We observed hanging over their shoulders fox skins and upon inquiring they told us they had captured seven the two old ones and five young ones. They did not know how many got away. We arrived home at 12 o'clock, hungry and tired.

FRED B. HARTMAN.

There are many guesses being made as to the population of Bloomsburg. They run from four to eight thousand. In our opinion, five thousand is an approximate conjecture.

"The young man who does not heed his dress is neglecting one of the most important steps to a successful career.

TOP COATS

IF you think of buying a top coat this season we would like to show you the new styles made by

HART, SCHAFFNER & MARX

English Covert Cloths and Whipcords, Cheviots, Vicunas and soft finished Kerseys, silk sleeve linings, strap seams, horn buttons: also made of the stylish double-faced goods with fancy plaid back.

HART, SCHAFFNER & MARX

H. S. & M.

TAILOR - MADE CLOTHES.

We still have a few Storm Coats and Heavy Winter Overcoats, which we will sell at greatly reduced prices.

Ben Gidding

BLOOMSBURG, PENNA.

Come in and see us—we'll treat you right.

Carpet Facts!

What is the use of your looking over a few rolls of poorly chosen Carpets, when we offer you a selection from a stock larger than all the other stocks in the county combined. You will not have to pay us one cent more than you do elsewhere. So it is to your advantage to deal with us.

Bargains? Yes. Lots of them. We have sold over one-half of the 10-wire Btussels we had, and which we were offering at 60 cents, made and lined. Can you find its equal?

WE KEEP FURNITURE,

DRY GOODS, GROCERIES.

But what we want to talk about this week is

CARPETS!

We'll talk about the other things later on; but to-day our story is CARPETS.

Just look us over, but not overlook us.

The Leader

DEPARTMENT STORE.

The Luck of Edmonton

By Kennett F. Harris.

EDMONTON looked worn and haggard—not at all as well as might be expected, as Barkstowe told him. He drew fanciful arabesques with his forefinger in the dust that had settled thickly on the inlaid card table, and his attention seemed to be divided between his visitor and the kitchen, from whence came the sound of somebody beating eggs with a fork. There seemed to be a great deal of dust in the room, with other indications that something had occurred to disturb the even tenor of the housework—as, for instance, a soiled gingham apron negligently draped on the back of a chair, a tray full of breakfast things and a rusty black bonnet on another table, a tin of mustard on the bookcase and an improvised clothesline full of white clothes over the register.

Barkstowe was telling his experience with his two—particularly when little James came to town. "Altogether, I felt much about the same way you're feeling now," he said. "But cheer up, old man; you'll get used to it."

"For Heaven's sake! Is that the best you can offer?" exclaimed Edmonton. "I haven't had any rest by night nor comfort by day for—let me see; this is the third day now. Waiting on a lot of incompetent, sassy females and paying them about ten times what they are worth! Just look at the place! I ain't particular, but—oh, well, I suppose I've got to put up with it for a few more days. But I want to tell you you're mistaken about one thing—I'm not going to get used to it. As soon as Emmie gets downstairs there's going to be a few changes."

"That's true, too," said Barkstowe. "Yes, that's true enough. Ah! You bet there will be some changes!"

"What do you mean? You're blamed mysterious all of a sudden. Break it to me as gently as possible, but let me have it."

"Well, you are going to find out that you ain't the whole thing any more. You play second fiddle and it's a solo for first all the time. They won't even notice when you go off and sulk."

"I'm no bloomin' egotist," said Edmonton.

"I know all about that," said Barkstowe. "I'm one of the most self-forgetful people you ever saw myself, but when you undertake to tell a woman something interesting about yourself—a woman who formerly thought that the Admirable Crichton was a poor stick alongside of you—and she listens with a stiff, mechanical smile and then says: 'Yes—no—er—I guess—what was it you said, Henry? I beg your pardon, my dear, but I thought I heard baby. Oh, Henry, you just don't know how cute he has been to-day!' That's what grinds, Eddie, my boy."

"I suppose so," said Edmonton, with evident incredulity.

"And so far as losing sleep is concerned," pursued Barkstowe, "you don't begin to realize what it is. Wait until the colic period arrives."

"If it hasn't arrived now I don't know what it is," grumbled Edmonton.

"Nowhere near the real thing," said Barkstowe, with a superior smile. "I'll tell you what you've got to do now, Eddie; you've got to cultivate patience and acquire a catlike tread and the faculty of carrying on an animated conversation in a whisper. You need to train your stomach to take anything that happens to be handy at any time that happens to be convenient and—but then you'll find it all out. The only thing that I want to impress on you is, that your troubles haven't begun, and that when they do hit you you won't be entitled to any particular sympathy, for what you will have to contend with the heft of male humanity is, has been or will be up against, and so it will continue while the grass grows and water runs and people are chumps enough not to know when they are well off. Ponder over that, young man!"

"I will some time when I haven't got anything better to do," said Edmonton, looking at his watch. "I don't want to turn you out, and I appreciate your efforts to console me, but I've got to meet my wife's mother on the 9:30 from Aurora. My mother will be here to-morrow."

"Do you mean that your mother and your wife's mother are going to make you a visit at the same time?" asked Barkstowe.

"Certainly. They're both anxious to see the baby."

Barkstowe rose and heaved a deep sigh. He drew on his gloves, looking mournfully at his friend and shaking his head in a manner expressive of the most gloomy foreboding. He sighed again when he reached the hall and said: "Good-by, Eddie," in a sepulchral voice.

It did not need this behavior on the part of Barkstowe to create misgivings in the mind of Edmonton. The young father had anticipated trouble from the time he had received the letter from his wife's mother announcing her intention of coming down to stay with "the dear girl," for his own mother had been beforehand with her telegram. It was not that either of the ladies was especially ferocious, but, at the same time, Edmonton knew that his mother had decided views on the care and management of children, which was largely owing to the fact that she had successfully reared him. He knew also that, while his wife's mother had always been kind and considerate toward him, she also had a Roman nose of a peculiarly aggressive type and a chin that, though double, was determination itself. Also she had not only brought up Emmie, but a younger sister as well, and they had both been most delicate children and afflicted beyond the common lot.

He had not spoken to his wife about his fears of a conflict between the two grandmothers, for the doctor had cautioned him to keep all intelligence of an unpleasant nature from her. He did not think, however, that he was violating this injunction by telling her of the impending visits. Before he started for the train he found that she was going a little worrying on her own account.

"I wish, as they are to be here together, they could both come together," she whispered, with an eye on the stout woman who was knitting over by the window.

"What difference would that make?" asked Edmonton.

"Well, mamma will have a whole day's start of your mother, and she will be telling her all about baby's likes and dislikes and what he's been accustomed to, and all that sort of thing, and I'm afraid your mother may not like it."

"Pshaw!" said Edmonton, believing it, nevertheless.

"I expect you are having a terrible time right now," his wife continued, compassionately.

"Getting along first rate," said Edmonton. "Everything's going along like clockwork."

"You don't miss me, then?"

"Miss you! I should say I did. What's Mister Man doing there?"

"S'eepin'. He doesn't do anysin' else but s'eep, b'ess 'e pwecious heart. Want to see him, papa? Oh! see him frown, see him frown! Did you ever! Let's cuvvy him up quick. What dweadful face! Is Mary doing all right, Henry?"

"She's a treasure. I'm thinking seriously of raising her wages."

"What was that I heard smash this morning?"

"Smash! Well, you've got good ears. I didn't think you would hear that. What was it? Why, it was a — the saucer of one of the flower pots. She was watering the flowers, don't you know."

"It didn't sound like that. Must you go? Henry, I don't see what that old thing has to stick around in here all the time for. Don't lean on the baby Henry."

It was nearly a month after that Barkstowe saw Edmonton again, and they had not talked five minutes before he complimented him upon his well fed and care-free appearance. "Baby don't make you much trouble?" he said, inquiringly.

"Trouble!" echoed Edmonton. "That kid has never given me a moment of uneasiness since I last saw you. If you were in the house a week you'd hardly know there was a baby in the house."

Barkstowe looked puzzled. "Well, that's a fine thing," he said. "Still, I rather like a baby to whoop 'er up once in awhile. Shows it's alive and hasn't got anything the matter with its lungs."

"Oh, I guess mine whoops 'er up all right as far as that goes," said Edmonton, carelessly. "He doesn't bother me, though."

"You haven't quit your home and gone to boarding just because you think you're going to lose a night's rest occasionally?" asked Barstowe, indignantly.

"No; I'm still on tolerably good terms with my family."

"That's all right, then. Come and take dinner with me and we'll go to the theater after. We don't meet every day."

"I'd like to, but I'll have to get you to excuse me to-night," said Edmonton. "I'm going to take my wife to the theater."

Barkstowe staggered back and fanned himself with his hat. When he had sufficiently recovered he said: "I'll give you people up. I'm beat. I feel as if it was my duty to call up the office of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children and ask them to raid your house. What in thunder are you going to do with the baby—take him along with you?"

"Hardly," replied Edmonton. "His two grandmothers'll take care of him all right. It's the biggest snap you ever heard of," he continued. "They've been here a month now, and neither of them wants to go before the other, and they're both of them ashamed to say so. I don't want either of them to go. Say! Talk about having a kid taken care of! They won't even let Emmie take the youngster nights. That's an honest fact; and they're just too polite to each other. You see, Emma's mother knows that my mother feels bad because the little chap is such a thorough Swaffield, and my mother feels in her heart she ought to give up to Emmie's mother, because anyone could see that the baby doesn't favor his mother's folks in a particle, but is just an Edmonton all over, bless his sweet heart. They pity each other—that's no josh. I don't know whether they ever got together and fixed up a schedule or not, but it looks like it almost from the way they take turns about to tend his imperial highness.

"And say!" Edmonton continued. "I ain't only the baby, but it's things in general. That blamed nurse went kiting about an hour and a half after Mrs. Swaffield got in the house, and the woman we got in to help Mary went after her. I was going to fire Mary, but you ought to see the way they've got that girl trained now. Smooth? You don't know how smooth things can run around the house until you get two rival grandmothers and mother in and put 'em both on their mettle."

"Don't tell me anything more about it," said Barkstowe, with tears in his voice. "I'm an orphan and my wife is, too. Some men have all the luck!"—Chicago Daily Record.

Significance of the Cypress.

The cypress, which is regarded by us as an emblem of mourning and death has been from ancient times associated with births, marriages and rejoicing in the east. In the Grecian archipelago when a daughter was born a grove of cypress trees was planted by her father as her future portion, a dowry which increased with the years.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Notes and Comments, Political and Otherwise, on Matters of Public Interest.

In order to kill the trusts we are advised not to use anything produced by them. If we could manage to get along a year or two without food, clothes or fire, the advice might be worth something, but to follow this plan under existing conditions the people would all be dead long before the trusts would begin to feel bad. Nearly everything in use, from the swaddling clothes of the infant as it enters the world to the shroud of the corpse as it passes out is in the control of a trust.

Thousands of the best and most intelligent citizens of the United States, as well as of Belgium and other countries, have petitioned President McKinley, asking him to offer his services toward mediation in the war between the Boers and the English. They have made the mistake of addressing the wrong man. Hanna is the man who paid off McKinley's debts a few years ago, and he keeps a tight hold on the string attached to the ring in the president's nose. Marcus is the man to consult on all these matters, for he is but clay in the hands of the potter Hanna.

If the Democrats of Pennsylvania do their duty in selecting candidates for the next legislature they will receive the support of thousands of Republicans who are determined that Quay rule in the Keystone state shall cease. In order to deserve this support Democrats must select men whose character and intelligence entitle them to respect. It will not do to put anti-Quay Republicans in the position of having to choose between a Quay Republican and a doubtful Democrat. Quay rooters are already at work in some sections of the state to have Democrats nominated who will be weak before the people.

According to the Erie Times the Jarecki Manufacturing company a few days ago declared a dividend of 25 per cent on a capital stock of $1,000,000, three-fourths of which is water. Hence a dividend of $250,000 was declared on an investment of $250,000, or a profit of 100 per cent in one year. This is another good illustration of the beneficent results of a protective tariff, and will be published as an evidence of prosperity. It is not necessary to argue with any man of sense that no true prosperity exists where some men are making 100 per cent and others just as good and just as willing to work having trouble to earn the bare necessaries of life.

Senator Pettigrew no doubt takes satisfaction in the fact that he is one of the most hated men in the senate by the imperialists of the millionaires' club. He tells so much truth that is distateful to tyrants and territory grabbers that he comes in for a good share of abuse, which they hope will answer for argument, after the adice of the old attorney who advised a young lawyer to abuse the other side when he had no case. Senator Pettigrew can well afford to be called a traitor as long as his treason consists in giving aid and comfort to those who believe in the Declaration of Independence, and denouncing the policy which McKinley once characterized as "criminal aggression." He deserves the thanks of every good citizen for having the courage and ability to protest so emphatically against the criminal folly of our government in dealing with the Filipinos.

The great law suit between Frick and Carnegie over $10,000,000, which is comparatively a small sum to either of them, has brought out some interesting facts in regard to the benefits of protection to those who are able through the law to levy tribute on every customer. Mr. Frick declares under oath that the profits of the Carnegie Steel company this year will not be less than $40,000,000, and he thinks they will reach $42,000,000. This is on an original capital stock of $25,000,000, or a profit of 160 per cent. Mr. Carnegie's share of this will be $23,4999,000. He says that he doesn't want to die rich, but it looks as if, under our great system of public robbery called protection, he will be compelled to die a millionaire in spite of himself. If he would would found a sixty thousand dollar library every day of the year, including Sundays, he would still have $1,500,000 left of this year's profits. How much longer can protection be used as a political bait to catch silly voters?

The first volume of the Philippine commission's report makes a book of 264 pages and contains a great deal that the commission doesn't know about the Filipinos. The report is signed by Professor Schurman, Admiral Dewey, Colonel Denby and Professor Worcester. This volume deals largely with the kind of government that the commission thinks we should establish over the Filipinos, while the volume to follow will treat of the resources of the islands, or in other words offer an apology for our taking them by conquest. The commissioners refer to Great Britain as an example worthy to follow, and says that she has been brilliantly successful in governing dependent peoples. The commissioners after this outburst of English sentiment might be expected to express their sincere regret that our forefathers in 1776 were so criminally foolish as to shake off English rule and ask to govern themselves, just as the Filipinos are asking of us today. Our imperialistic friends declare that the Filipinos are not capable of self government, but so did England declare of us in 1776. The commission does not refer to the millions of English subjects who are starving in British India, but it does recommend that we violate the constitution by imposing a tariff on the Filipinos' products after we have forced them under our dominion. Schurman was not an imperialist until he was bribed by being sent to the Philippines as the head of the commission.

Official white washing comes dear in this country when on an extensive scale. It appears from a response of Secretary Gage to a resolution of congress in regard to the expenditure of the $50,000,000 war fund that it cost the United States $105,144 to white wash former Secretary Alger; and it was a poor job at that. Of this sum $42,500 was expended as compensation for the embalmed beef commission, some of whose members were also in the enjoyment of large salaries. Besides this, $12,000 was expended for their meals, to say nothing of several odd thousands for cost of travel, Pullman car accommodations, carriage hire, etc. Although the full report of this luxurious commission, which was printed by the government at a cost of $18,831, has never seen the light, the commissioners were supplied with fountain pens costing $12 each in order that they might make precise notes of testimony. As Alger has recently pronounced William J. Bryan a "curse to the country," is he to be accepted as a blessing?—Pittsburg Post.

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WASHINGTON.

From our Regular Correspondent.

Washington, March 19, 1900.

Mr. McKinley's alleged tender to England of the good offices of this government towards bringing about peace between England and the two South African republics which England is slowly but surely crushing out of existence was nothing more than the attempt of a frightened politician to bamboozle the voters of this country who have been openly expressing sympathy for the fight for life that the citizens of those republics are making.

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In fact, there has been no tender of the good offices of this government. All that was done was to forward a cablegram from the presidents of the South African republics to the English government, through the U. S. Embassy in London. There was no word of comment from this government, although Mr. McKinley knows that the right sort of a message from him would result in saving the existence of those republics. The message from the South African governments was not even dignified by being presented by the U. S. Ambassador to England, that official being off on a pleasure jaunt; it was presented by one of his secretaries. It was because of the bad showing that would have been made that Mr. McKinley took advantage of his right and refused to furnish the Senate with copies of all correspondence with Great Britain and the South African republics, which were asked for by the resolution offered by Senator Allen and adopted.

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After wrangling and fighting for nearly a week and holding two caucuses the republican Senators have patched up a sort of agreement on the Porto Rico bill. A bill appropriating $2,000,000 for the immediate relief of the Porto Ricans is to be passed at once, and the debate upon the old bill is to be continued indefinitely. Senator Davis stated in caucus that if the republicans did not give Porto Rico free trade Mr. McKinley would lose the electoral vote of Minnesota, and Senator Beveridge made a similar statement as to Indiana.

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Representative Sulzer, of New York, believes that the various stories of complaints of American citizens resident in the Transvaal Republic of the treatment of themselves and other foreigners are fakes circulated to stop the increase of Boer sympathy in this country, and to prove his belief to be correct he has offered a resolution in the House calling on the State Department for copies of all letters received from citizens of the U. S. resident in the South African Republic from January 1, 1892 to the present time.

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Having got their gold standard bill beyond the reach of those republican Senators who still claim to be bimetallists, the republicans were very frank in acknowledging the effect the new law will have. For instance, Representative Overstreet, who was in charge of the bill when it finally passed the House, said, in reply to a question of Representative Williams, of Ill., as to whether the clause of the law making bonds payable in gold would prevent their being paid in silver, if international bimetallism should in the future be secured: "The bonds could only be paid in gold. This bill holds out not the slightest hope of international bimetallism under present conditions. I say frankly that this bill will make it practically and absolutely impossible ever to have international bimetallism at the rates of 16 to 1." That fully exposes the hypocrisy of those republican Senators who stated when it was before the Senate that the bill contained nothing that would stand in the way of international bimetallism.

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Senator Butler, of N. C., found it necessary while making a personal statement refuting the allegations that he was not in favor of the free coinage of silver at a ratio of 16 to 1, to call Senator Aldrich, of R. I., a liar—his exact words being, "The Senator from R. I. makes a statement that is not true." At the same time Senator Allen, of Nebr., made a statement concerning the numerous stories about his having lost faith in free coinage, in which he said: "I now want to repeat and I want the Public Printer to put it in black type so that it may stand as a permanent record of my position, that I am a firm believer, as I have always been, in the free and unlimited coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1 by this country alone and of not waiting for its adoption by any other country."

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The Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee has opened headquarters and started the work of the campaign. Secretary Kerr, who is in charge, says the prospect for electing a democratic House is becoming brighter every day and the same thing has been publicly said by prominent republicans.

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It was perfectly fitting that Mr. McKinley should give the gold pen which Representative Overstreet bought for him to use in signing the gold standard bill to Mr. H. H. Hanna, of Indianapolis, who was the head of the bankers' lobby which pushed the gold standard bill from start to finish.

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Senator Turner, of Washington, made an able speech this week, bristling with legal argument showing that the Constitution necessarily followed the flag into all the possessions of the U. S. He challenged any Senator to produce a single decision of the Supreme Court holding it to be necessary that the Constitution should be extended by act of Congress over acquired territory.

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Train will leave Renovo at 6.40 a. m., Williamsport 8.30 a. m., Scranton 7.48 a. m., Wilkes Barre 8.45 a. m., Sunbury, 10.50 a. m., Mt. Carmel 7.30 a. m., Altoona, 7.15 a. m., Lancaster 10.48 a. m., Harrisburg 12.35 p. m., stopping at the principal intermediate stations, and at York. Returning, special train will leave Washington at 3.30 p. m., Thursday, April 5. Passengers from points west of Williamsport, and from Dewart, Selinsgrove, Lykens, Dillsburg, Lebanon, Lancaster, Columbia, Wrightsville, and points on the Shamokin Division will use regular trains from Washington returning. All tickets will be good to return also on regular trains until Saturday, April 7, inclusive.

Round trip rate, covering transportation, hotel accommodations from supper on date of tour until after luncheon, April 5, $12.90 from Williamsport, $13.60 from Wilkes Barre, $11.70 from Sunbury, $14.00 from Altoona, $10.10 from Lancaster, $10 10 from Harrisburg, and proportionate rates from other stations, including stations on the Cumberland Valley Railroad north of Chambersburg. Guides to Washington will be distributed free on the train.

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Started With Prayer.

Sheldon's Christian newspaper, the Topeka *Capital*, began with a prayer, the first column of the first page being given up to this prayer from Bishop John H. Vincent, of the Methodist Episcopal Church:

"A morning prayer and resolution: I will try this day to live a simple, sincere, serene life, repelling every thought of discontent, self-seeking and anxiety, cultivating magnanimity, self control and the habit of silence, practicing economy, cheerfulness and helpfulness."

"And as I cannot in my own strength do this, or, even with a hope of success, attempt it, I look to Thee, O Lord, my Father in Jesus Christ, my Saviour, and ask for the gift of the Holy Spirit."

The Pennsylvania railroad company will, within the next two years, build a bridge across the Susquehanna river at Rockville, to replace the present bridge running from Rockville to Marysville, a short distance above Harrisburg. The new bridge will be built a short distance east of the present structure. It will be over 3,600 feet long and will take forty-eight arches to cross the river. This will be one of the longest stone bridges on the Pennsylvania system. The present structure has been in service about 1873. Work on the new bridge will begun this year, and the company expects to have a third of it completed by Dec. 31st.

THE BIG CENSUS JOB.

Great Count to Begin June 1.

Each Enumerator Will Visit an Average of 1,500 Persons The Preliminary Work is Well Advanced and the Authorities Are of the Opinion That There Will be no Trouble in Doing the Work in the Given Time.

Seventeen census supervisors from Pennsylvania, and two from New York went to school for supervisors in Harrisburg and were told by Frederick Wines, assistant director of the census from Washington, just what they have to do to get an accurate census. Mr. Wines was asked all manner of questions and when the meeting adjourned the supervisors were pretty well informed as to their duties.

The enumeration of the population will begin June 1st, and be completed in thirty days. The collection of manufacturing schedules will follow soon after, and will be substantially completed by July 31st.

It is the aim Dr. Wines told the supervisors, to give to each enumerator, on an average, 1,500 persons to be counted, but at the same time to follow as closely as possible the political lines of division of the state into voting precincts. The rates of compensation will be so adjusted that any competent person can earn from $3 to $5 a day during the time employed.

Mr. Wines stated that Pennsylvania has a better force of supervisors than during any previous taking of the census, and that the department expected big results from the state. Mr. Wines advised the supervisors to send in the list of the enumerators as soon as possible, and under no circumstances to be later than April 28th. He said it was the aim of the department to get the instructions in the hands of the enumerators by May 1st. During the first census many of the enumerators did not receive their instruction papers until June 1st, the day for the commencement of the census. "As a result many of them," said Mr. Wines, "stuck their instructions into their hip pockets; this year we are going to try to get them into their heads."

Special attention is to be paid this year to political divisions. The names of every voter in every election precinct, ward, township, county and state will be taken, so that hereafter for a time at least, election frauds by the methods of bogus voters would be stopped. This census would give a complete list of voters and repeating could hereafter be easily detected.

The supervisors are to be absolute masters of the situation. They will be expected to make all appointments for enumerators and the commissions are to be signed by them.

Several of the supervisors said they had received no applications for enumerators in certain districts. Mr. Wines said this was a frequent complaint, and that the supervisors would have to go out and find some person to do the work. If a district is missed it means just that much less in population and political representation.

The question of employing minors was raised, and Mr. Wines stated there was no rule against their appointment. In extreme cases, if a man or woman of mature age cannot be secured as enumerators, then a minor could be appointed, but he must be competent and endowed with common sense.

Mr. Wines also suggested that after the supervisors had been notified that their lists of enumerators had been approved by the department that the supervisors hold a conference with the enumerators at the county seats, to give full instructions for the manner of taking the census.

The Ashley Claims.

The Jersey Central Railroad Company is settling with those whose property was damaged by the explosion of dynamite at Ashley in January. Many of the claims have already been paid and some will probably never be paid because of their excessiveness. The damages run all the way from $1.50 to $400, and some are trying to take advantage of the company by extortionate claims. One man, whose bill was over $150, said he would call it square for $50. Another turned in a large bill for damage to his furniture, itemizing each scratch at $6. Another man turned in a bill for $8 for a barrel of sour kraut that he claimed was spoiled by the shock from the explosion, and some other bills are equally ludicrous.

Would Guard Guest's Cash.

James Swan, a Williamsport juryman, was the victim of a unique bunco game. After he had retired to his room at Hotel Crawford, Swan was aroused by a colored man, who represented himself as an attache of the hotel, and volunteered the information that it would be risky for Swan to keep any money in his room, and that he should turn it over to him and have it deposited in the hotel safe. Swan obligingly handed over $21, all he had, and he is now looking for the colored man.

An Important Decision.

That is of Interest to Every Borough in the State.

Judge Biddle, of Dauphin county, has just given a decision that is of interest to every borough in the State. It is in the case of the Borough of Mechanicsburg vs. John Koons, agent for The Grand Union Tea Company, of Harrisburg, and the decision is against the borough.

It appears that in January last the defendant, as the agent of The Grand Union Tea Company, canvassed from house to house in the borough of Mechanicsburg for the purpose of soliciting orders for tea, of which he exhibited samples. An ordinance of the borough, approved November 30, 1899, enacts that every person before doing, or offering to do, any business as aforesaid, shall take out a license from the burgess and pay a specified fee: "Provided, that the provisions of this ordinance shall not apply to persons selling by sample to manufacturers, or to licensed merchants, or to dealers residing or doing business in said borough, nor to persons selling their own farm produce." The defendant refused to take out a license or pay the fee for the privilege of canvassing, and action was instituted to collect the sum of five dollars, the amount of a find imposed upon him under the terms of the ordinance for his failure to comply with its mandate. The defendant contended that the above mentioned municipal legislation is an unlawful attempt to regulate trade by creating a favored local class and therefore could not be enforced.

In deciding the point at issue Judge Biddle said that the exact question involved had been decided in the recent case of the Commonwealth vs. Snyder, 182 Pa. 630, where it is ruled that a statue which imposes a license fee on peddlers in Perry county, but which also contains a proviso exempting from its operation all persons who sell exclusively to merchants of the county, is in conflict with article 4, section 2, clause 1, of the constitution of the United States, and is consequently null and void.

A discrimination of this kind, either by statute or by ordinance is a trade regulation and its manifest effect is not to prohibit an injurious business, but to suppress hurtful competition: Sayre borough vs. Phillips, 148; Shamokin borough vs. Flannigan, 150 Pa. 43

Judge Biddle discharged the case and ordered that judgement be entered in favor of the defendant.

Side Path Commissioners.

The Bicycle Side Path Commission of Lycoming county have decided to call a convention of side path commissioners, to be held in Williamsport May 10. The object of the convention is to formulate an amendment to the act creating the commissioners and to arrange plans for a series of trunk lines throughout the State. The Lycoming commission was the first one to form and it was for this reason that they took the initiative in calling for a state convention.

He's Still Digging "Taters."

A neighboring newspaper man was almost overwhelmed the other day by the following epistle which one of his subscribers wrote when he discontinued his paper. It ran as follows: "I think folks ortent to spend their money for paypur, my dad dien't and everyone said he was the intelligentist man in the country and had the smartest family of boize that ever dug taters."

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Iowa stands at the head of the list of states in its figures for new mileage with 585 miles to its credit, although the previous ten years had seen little or no additions made to its railroads. A notable fact about the railroad building of the year is that there has been comparatively little building by new companies, while a number of the older roads have made important extensions. As examples, the Chicago & Northwestern has built 357½ miles; the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, 98 miles; the Northern Pacific, 95 miles in the United States and 29 miles in Canada; the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific, 82 miles; the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe, 160 miles; the Illinois Central, 190 miles; the Burlington system, 80 miles; the Louisville & Nashville, 74 miles; the Seaboard Air Line, over 100 miles; the Great Northern, 74 miles, and the Choctaw, Oklahoma & Gulf, 162 miles. During 1899 Massachusetts had the lowest record of new trackage, the number of miles being only 4.20.

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FOR REPRESENTATIVE,
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of Greenwood Twp.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE,
WILLIAM T. CREASY,
(South Side)
of Catawissa Twp.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE,
(South Side)
C. Z. SCHLICHER,
of Beaver Twp.

FOR SHERIFF,
DANIEL KNORR,
of Locust Twp.

The Pennsylvania State Editorial Association may meet at Eaglesmere this year. That place and Shawenese Lake are mentioned, and the selection of the place and the date is left to a committee.

Two notable events have occurred in the Philippines. Aguinaldo's baby has succumbed to an attack of small-pox, and his private Secretary has surrendered. Look out for a cablegram from Otis that "the war is over."

There is very little criticism to be heard just now, concerning the inefficiency of the British forces, or the obsoleteness of her method of warfare. Whenever an army begins to win victories, criticisms cease. It has always been so.

The Republican National Convention will meet in Philadelphia June 19, the Populist National Convention in Sioux Falls, S. D., May 9, the Middle-of-the-Road Populists in Chicago June 27, and the Democratic National Convention, in Kansas City, July 4th.

Representative Champ Clark, of Missouri, says it is about time to put wood pulp and printing paper on the free list in order to head off the paper trust, which is putting the screws on the users of printing paper, and he thinks such a bill might be put through Congress, because the Republicans would fear the influence of the country papers, the publishers of which feel the increased price of paper most. He said one editor in his district wrote him that the increase in the price of paper would make it cost him $820 more to print the same number of papers in 1900 than he printed in 1899. He thinks that something will have to be done, or many publishers will have to choose between shutting up shop or raising their subscription price.

The Paper Trust, which is robbing newspaper publishers of a part of their meagre profits, has been a most effective agency in bringing Protectionist journals into sympathetic relations with other sufferers from unjust tariff levies. The appeal of the Pennsylvania editors ought not to be lost upon the Pennsylvania delegation in Congress. Here is their lately adopted resolution :

Resolved, By the Pennsylvania State Editorial Association, that no Trust should be fostered by legislation, such as tariff duties; in other words, that if Trusts are honestly organized to reduce expenses, and consequently the cost of products, they should depend upon their own business sagacity, not upon protection given to them by the Government.

Resolved, That, holding this belief as to all Trusts, and believing that the recent increase in the cost of white paper and type metal is due, in part at least, to the organization of Trusts, and it is made possible by tariff duties, we appeal to Congress to repeal such tariff duties as serve to protect the Trusts in their extortionate charges.

The Gold Standard Assured.

Under the above caption in the Philadelphia *Times*, of March 8th we find the editor boasting that by the passage of the currency bill by the Senate, almost without debate, and without any expression of popular interest, eliminates the free coinage question from the next Presidential contest, not only as the act of the Republican party but with the tacit consent of the entire body of the American people.

The question arises, has this editor of a great newspaper been asleep for some time, or does he suppose the American people are dependent upon him alone for information? For the edification of this great newspaper man, I will here say that there are other papers published in this country, quite a number of them; that they have in many instances unsparingly criticized Congress for forcing the gold standard upon our people, without any express demand for such action on the part of the people.

On the other hand this action by Congress is against the wishes of the American people as expressed by the vote of 1896. If any one will examine the various platforms adopted by the different parties, and then look up the election returns, they will find there were thirteen million five hundred thousand votes cast in favor of free coinage of silver in some way or other; and about one hundred and thirty two thousand against it. If I am right in my figures, there was less than one per cent. of the voters who openly favored the gold standard, that is less than one out of every hundred of our voters If it is out of deference to those few voters, that the gold standard has been adopted, I regard it as the most remarkable instance of the tail wagging the dog that I have ever met with. And this, says the *Times*, was done almost without debate.

Some of the readers of the *Times* may not be aware, that legislative bodies can by a parliamentary ruse shutt off debate, when forcing the adoption of an unpopular measure. It is known that this currency bill was forced to a vote in the lower house without the discussion that its gravity demanded.

As to the elimination of free coinage question from the next Presidential contest, a very short time will decide how that will be. My own opinion is that the republicans will not leave free coinage out of their platform, even should the democrats be disposed to drop it for the present. They have seemingly taken as lively an interest in free coinage as they have in the suppression of trusts and monopolies. Their platform for 1896 declared for free coinage on a substantial basis. They favored something that would be permanent. They did not propose to do any wildcat business as the democrats were disposed to do by adopting free coinage without the consent of John Bull or any body else. But they were going to have free coinage all the same. They do not yet want the people to get discouraged about free coinage, not at least until after the election. They even inserted a free coinage clause in their Monetary bill forcing the gold standard. I wonder they did not insert something to that effect in Porto Rican tariff bill. They might have promised the repeal of that iniquitous tariff tax as soon as our British cousins permitted us to open our mints to the free coinage of silver. That would have convinced the most skeptical that they still remembered their silverite friends.

The above named paper states further that the passage of this monetary bill is "the belated fulfillment of a campaign promise made nearly four years ago, it is an exceptional instance of a campaign promise fulfilled." The question presents itself to me who made such promise, and to whom was it made?

Certainly the republicans made no such promise in their platform when they came before the people to solicit votes. That platform states in no ambiguous terms, that it was the intention of the party to secure bimetalism by international agreement. Their campaign orators said the same, when accused of favoring the gold standard they denied it most vehemently, pointing to their platform and the various speeches of Wm. McKinley as proof that there was no such intention. It is known further that a large sum of money was appropriated (one hundred thousand dollars I believe) to defray the expenses of a monetary commission appointed by the President to go to England for the purpose of securing an arrangement by which bimetalism could safely be established.

Was the President acting in good faith in this matter or was it all an underhand game to hoodwink the people? It has been charged that there was a secret agreement, that if the boudholders and trust magnates furnished the campaign boodle to carry the election of McKinley, that in return such law should be passed. Is it possible that the chief magistrate of a great country could be a party to such a deal, or is he only a puppet in the hands of the Hannaites?

It looks very much as if one or the other was the case. The *Times* says, for the sake of seeming consistency, the next democratic platform will contain a free coinage plank. It will be rather refreshing if one political party does something seemingly consistent. Seeming consistency has never been the easy besetting fault of our republican friends. "If not the wisest bill that could have been framed upon the subject, it settles the question for years to come, if not for all time." So says the *Times*.

That it implies some doubt in the mind of the writer, as to wisdom of the gold standard bill. There are a great many who entertain serious doubts as to the wisdom of Congress in forcing this legislation.

As the people have not yet passed upon this measure they may insist on a reversal of it in the near future, instead of waiting for years to come. In a government like ours the people have a habit of stiring up things, that they think have not been settled right. In the present instance the dissatisfaction is so great, that it is likely to change the political complexion of the next Congress, and retire McKinley to private life. We do not need to look back further than our own country's history to find questions that were settled to the satisfaction of those clothed with brief authority. Take the slavery question for instance. It was settled several times within the writer's recollection. The fugitive slave law, the Missouri compromise and the Dred Scott decision each gave it a quietus; but the plaguey thing would loom up in the near future to vex its friends. The silver question may not be buried beyond hope of resurrection.

A LAYMAN.

The latest exhibition of the extent to which Republicans will defy popular will and outrage constitutional rights is furnished by the action of Congress in unseating Congressman Young, of Virginia, and giving his place to Richard A. Wise last week. This is the second contest that the House has determined between these two candidates. Mr. Young was elected to the Fifty-fifth Congress, but was unseated April 26th, 1898, in favor of Wise. He was re-elected to the Fifty-sixth Congress, receiving 12,183 votes to 6,264 for Wise, Republican, and 3,445 votes for W. S. Holland, Republican, a majority of nearly 6,000 over Wise, and of nearly 3,000 over both of his opponents.—*Ex.*

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Judge Savidge, of Sunbury, who was holding an extra session of criminal court at Williamsport, recently, placed himself in a unique position. In the case of M. Hery, tried for stealing diamonds, Judge Savidge took possession of $175 worth of jewelry belonging to the prisoner for the purpose of sending it to the jury room with the jury.

This jewelry had some time since been attached by process of law instituted by Hery's employers in Ohio, and was in court only for the purpose of proof against the prisoner at his trial. Judge Savidge knew nothing of the attachment proceedings. When he sent the jewelry to the jury he said he would be responsible for its return.

The jury rendered a verdict of guilty against Hery. When the verdict was brought in counsel for the prosecution was not present, and Hery's attorney laid claim to the jewelry. Judge Savidge, believing that it belonged to the prisoner, turned it over to him. Now the parties who had attached it propose holding Judge Savidge responsible.

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Legal advertisements on page 7.

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Next year Central Pennsylvania Conference of the M. E. Church will be held at Chambersburg.

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The E. A. Rawlings property on Center street was sold on Saturday, at administrator's sale. Mrs. Mary A. Rawlihgs was the purchaser.

Privilege has been granted the Montour and Columbia Telephone Company by the Commissioners, to run its wires over the river bridges at Catawissa and East Bloomsburg.

C. B. Robbins, on Saturday bought the Barton property on Main Street, a few doors below Iron for $5500. The house has been vacant for a year or more.

The Bloomsburg Cycle Works, on Iron street, is now ready to fix up your bicycle for spring use. Workmanship guaranteed.

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It is the roaring month of March,
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The gray rain beating on the wold
Has closed the crocus cups of gold.

Adown the dale, adown the dale,
The thrush pipes sadly to the gale;
His song is sad, and I would hear
The anthem of the coming year.

But there will be an April day—
The thrush will pipe another lay,
And we will find on greener hills,
White violets and daffodils.

—St. Nicholas.

L. C. Cryder has moved from Willow Springs to Phillipsburg, and embarked in the hardware business.

"Safe bind, safe find." Fortify yourself by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla now and be sure of good health for months to come.

The card of Clyde C. Yetter, attorney at law, appears among the business cards in this issue. His office is in the Wirt Building.

Take your bike to the Bloomsburg Cycle Works, Iron street, and get it cleaned and fixed up for your first ride in the spring.

A number of our people will attend the performance of "The Moth and the Flame," at the Nesbit Theatre, Wilkes-Barre, Saturday evening.

Aiden Benedict's Company in "Fabio Romani," dramatized from Marie Correllis' novel of the same name, is an April booking at the Opera House.

Thomas Silvers, of Nescopeck, had one of his legs broken below the knee, by being struck by a piece of iron, at the Berwick rolling mill last Friday.

Drugs and patent medicines, toilet articles, brushes, combs and perfumery, and all articles kept in a first-class drug store, at Mercer's Drug and Book store.

Mrs. M. A. Watson will have her spring opening of pattern hats and bonnets on Thursday and Friday, March 29 and 30. See her announcement on page 8.

Tablets, paper, box paper, envelopes, blank books of all kinds, tissue papers, lead pencils, erasers, and Doan's Kidney Pills, at Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

George H. Girton and Miss Sarah Kitchen were quietly married at the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kitchen, in Millville, Thursday last. The Friends ceremony was used.

D. J. Tasker won the Bloomsburg Wheelmen pool tournament Monday evening. The deciding game, (100 balls,) was between him and P. K. Vannatta. The score was Tasker 100, Vannatta 78.

COLUMBIAN subscribers who intend moving this Spring should early inform the office to that effect. Be sure to give both the old and new address, so that the COLUMBIAN may follow them to their new residence.

The Merchants National Bank and the West Branch National Bank two of Williamsport's leading financial institutions were consolidated on Tuesday. All business will be transacted at the West Branch Bank hereafter.

William Duglod Stuart, of London, England, has begun an action in ejectment in the Luzerne courts against Joseph Walton and William Faulds, of Salem township, near Wilkes-Barre, to secure possession of 449 acres of valuable coal land. Stuart is a grandson of a daughter of William Penn and the owner of considerable property in Luzerne county, originally owned by his illustrious ancestor.

Tires, cements, inner tubes, wrenches, bells, lamps, grips, buffers, enamels, oil, plugs, patches, and all bike sundries at Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

The Winter term at the Normal School closed on Friday and a great many of the students departed on Saturday to spend the ten day vacation at home. The Spring term will begin on Tuesday.

The remains of Mrs. Louisa Ward, who died at Jamison City on Thursday morning arrived here on the B. & S. train Saturday and were interred in Rosemont Cemetery. The deceased was aged about 84 years.

Daniel S. Laubach, on Monday rented George Enterline's billiard and pool room. His son Harry will have charge of the new room, while Mr. Laubach will conduct the old stand underneath the Exchange Hotel.

Jeremiah Hess died at his home in Wapwallopen, Friday last, aged past ninety-one years. His death was caused by advanced years. His immediate survivors are five sons and five daughters. The funeral occurred on Tuesday.

Jay Brown has rented the Walter Laubach house, on the Lightstreet road, and he and his mother will occupy it after April 1st. They were, several years ago, residents of Lightstreet, but moved from there to Colorado, for the benefit of the former's health.

Charles Hofher, of Centralia, a brakeman on the Lehigh Valley Railroad, was knocked under a moving train and ground to pieces, near Delano, on Wednesday afternoon of last week. Hofher, was twenty-five years of age, and was the only support of a widowed mother.

Emerson Dillon of Scranton, a photographer who makes a specialty of flash light pictures, was secured by Ralph G. Phillips, to photograph the three hundred participants in the Normal gymnastic exhibition Thursday night last. The result of his effort is most gratifying. The negative is sharp and distinct.

An interesting service will be conducted in the Y. M. C. A. building next Sunday afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock. The meeting will be in charge of Mr. Charles K. Taylor, and Mr. F. N. Turner will make the address. Subject, "Count the Cost." The male choir will sing. Every young man is earnestly invited to be present. No one should miss it.

Encoring after each number is an abuse that has crept into practice at public entertainments here of late. An encore is intended, if we understand it correctly, to be a special mark of approval, and where each number on the program is encored with equal vigor the distinction ceases and reveals the fact that the audience is merely trying to get twice as much as it paid for.

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Dentler of White Pigeon, Michigan, aged eighty-two and eighty years respectively, are sadly afflicted. Last week, F. D. Dentler, a son, received a letter, stating that his mother was suffering from a stroke of paralysis, and on Tuesday, another letter brought the sad intelligence that his father was similarly stricken. Both are in a very precarious condition. Mr. Dentler will leave for home in a day or two.

The reproduction of "Tony the Convict" in the Opera House, Thursday evening last was poorly patronized, and as a result the Winona Fire Company for whose benefit the play was given, lost money. Of course considering the numerous other entertainments in town and the disagreeable weather the slim attendance is not to be wondered at. The drama was presented in the same creditable manner as before, and those who braved the elements, to help the boys along, were highly pleased.

An effort is being made at Poughkeepsie, N. Y., to break the will of Miss Caroline Ham, who left her entire estate, valued at over $100,000, to her lawyer, Frank S. Ormsbee. It is the claim of five nieces and nephews, who reside in Philadelphia, that the lawyer used undue influence to secure the property. They say she was feeble-minded. Another lawyer and a physician, who witnessed the will, say that Miss Ham was mentally competent and knew what she was doing.

Snow began falling Thursday morning last, and continued incessantly until it covered the ground to a depth of six inches. It was accompanied by a strong searching wind, making the day the most disagreeable one of the entire winter. A great many people who had been anxiously awaiting the arrival of snow, took advantage of the opportunity, to enjoy a sleigh ride, and the runnered vehicles were all doing service on Friday and Saturday.

PURELY PERSONAL

Boyd Trescott of Millville, is transacting business in town to-day.

Harry Little is home from Bucknell College for a ten-days' vacation.

Capt. H. J. Conner of Orangeville, circulated among friends in town on Monday.

Miss Margaret Laubach was the guest of Miss Rosella Williams in Berwick over Sunday.

Mrs. B. A. Gidding, who is visiting her parents at Mt. Carmel, will return home Saturday.

Mrs. Frank Mears, of Brooklyn, N. Y., is spending the week with her parents in town.

H. W. Sloan has been confined to the house for several days with an attack of grippe.

Dr. Foster, manager of the Keystone Drug Company, is in Virginia this week, in the interest of the Company.

Mrs Arthur A. Clark and little daughter of Harrisbuag, are visiting at the Clark homestead on Market street.

His Honor R. R. Little is presiding at the regular March term of court of Montour County, at Danville this week.

Joseph Heim, of Danville, witnessed the presentation of the "Span of Life," at the Opera House Tuesday night.

Robert Bogart, the genial clerk in S. R. Bidleman's Stationery Store has been housed up by sickness for the past week.

A. W. Vaughn and wife, attended the "Span of Life" Tuesday evening, Mr. Vaughn is a successful merchant at Jamison City.

Miss Susie Wardin and Miss Carrie Fleckenstine, of Wilkes-Barre, were guests of Miss Hidlay on North Iron Street over Sunday.

Mac Reber came home from State College, at Bellfonte, and spent Sunday with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. Reber on North Market Street.

Evan Griffith, the genial liquid dispenser at the Exchange Hotel and H. D. Manning visited Pittston friends over Sunday. Both formerly resided at that place.

Mrs. Elmira McHenry, and son Olive. S. McHenry and family of Orangeville, were guests of the former's daughter, Mrs. Frank L. Klase, in town on Sunday.

Frank D. Phillips, at present located at Jersey Shore, was the guest of his mother, M. M. Phillips over Sunday. Frank is meeting with phenomenal success in the penny photo business.

John Osborne, of Williamsport, circulated among friends in Bloomsburg on Friday. This was Mr. Osborne's first visit to our town in ten years He says the town is gaining the appearance of a city.

B. W Swisher left on Wednesday for Schoolcraft, Michigan, where he has accepted a position with a man who deals extensively in horses. To have summer, and quoit pitching without him will seem unnatural.

Atwood B McHenry and wife, of Stillwater, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. George R. Hunt on East Third Street. Mrs. McHenry and Mrs. Hunt are sisters. Their maiden name was Edgar, daughters of the late B. F. Edgar.

J. F. Corser will move to Scranton this week, where his family will remain for the present. He will go on to Alaska, in quest of a business location. He has been a good citizen and his departure from our midst is regretted.

Joseph F. McHenry, a retired merchant, of Stillwater, and Ellis Stoker, one of Fishingcreek township's well known agriculturists, stopped in town between trains on Tuesday, enroute to Philadelphia, to attend the funeral of James Stoker, whose death occurred in that city on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Dickerman of Milton, left last week for New York, and from there sailed on the North German Lloyd Line Steamer, Kaiser Wilhelm for Sherborg. Their daughter, Miss Grace accompanied them to New York, to see her parents off. Mr. Dickerman, for the past twenty years has been the manager of the Milton Car Works, and the trip is being made to benefit his health.

The reign of the ground hog is now at an end.

J. L. Girton who has been critically ill for the past ten days is slowly improving.

The fund with which the Bloomsburg Wheelmen propose to secure a library for their club House is rapidly increasing. The move appears to be a popular one and it will not be long until the members will have access to a library of at least one hundred and fifty volumes of the best books procurable.

The *Farm Journal* is cheap but not too cheap to be good; it is full of ginger and gumption, and has many other good things in it that you can use as any paper at any price. We have a clubbing arrangement by which the COLUMBIAN is sent one year, and the *Farm Journal* nearly five years (remainder of 1900, and all of 1901, 1902, 1903 and 1904), both for $1.00. Pay in advance and get two big prizes.

The new vault for the Bloomsburg National Bank arrived on Tuesday. It weighs ten and one-half tons and required a six wheeled wagon to convey it from the P. & R. station to the bank. It was manufactured by Remmington and Shoman of Philadelphia, one of the largest safe manufacturing concerns in the United States. It will probably be ready for use in a week or ten days.

William Hummiel, the Lycoming County murderer, who was convicted at court in Williamsport last week, on Monday, made a full confession of the crime. The story from his own lips is a horrible one. With an ax as his weapon, he sent his wife and three small children into eternity, while they were lying in bed and then went down stairs, coolly, as if nothing had happened, prepared his breakfast and sat down and ate it. It was a fiendish murder, almost without paralel, and death on the gallows is too good for the brute.

CURTAINS.

We now have on sale full and complete lines of lace and heavy curtains in all grades. All styles. These goods are fully 10 to 20 per cent. less than the ruling market prices. If you have a curtain need it will pay you to come and see these goods. Also a full line of curtain materials by the yard.

Dress Goods.

We offer special bargains in black and colored dress goods in all grades; You can save money on your purchases of dress goods now.

Embroideries.

A new line of embroideries are here for your approval. All kinds. Matched sets, allovers, tuckings for waists, yokes, etc. See them.

Coats.

We have a few coats yet that we will sell very cheap. If you have a coat need, see them.

Hosiery.

You will find full lines of hosiery of all kinds. Ladies' polkadot hose 17c. Ladies' special black hose 3 pair for 35c. Ladies' fine black hose 25c. a pair. Childrens' black hose 2 pair for 25c.

Dress Ginghams.

A full line of dress ginghams in new effects.

Laces.

You will find this stock complete with all the newest effects of the season. All kinds, all styles, all prices. If you have a lace want see this stock.

Linens.

We call special attention to our lines of table linens, towels, napkins, toweling by the yard, tray cloths, etc. See the 50c. linens. Try our 1.00 bleached table linen. If you have a linen want see this stock.

Neck Ruches.

We show a full line of ladies' neck ruches made of Mouslaine De-Soie. All styles.

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A full line of bleached and unbleached muslins, sheetings, calico, ginghams, outings, shirtings, etc., at the right prices.

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Statement of the Finances of Columbia County From January 2d, 1899, to January 1st, 1900.

DISTRICTS.	Taxes Assessed for 1899.			Still Due for 1899.			1899. County.		1899. Dog.		1899. State.		1899. Ret'd.	1899. Ex	Amts Rec'd on Taxes, 1899.			Amts Rec'd on Taxes Prior to 1899.			County, 1898.			Dog, 1898.		State, 1898		County, 1897			Dog, 1897		County, 1896.		Dog, 1896.	State 1896.	County, 1895.		Dog, 1895.
	County.	Dog.	State.	County.	Dog.	State.	Com.	Dis.	Com.	Dis.	Com.	Dis.	Ret'd		County.	Dog.	State.	County.	Dog.	State.	Com.	Ex.	Ret'd	Com	Ex.	Com	Ex.	Com.	Ex.	Ret'd	Com	Ex.	Ex.	Ret'd	Ex.	Ex	Ex.	Ret.	Ex.
Beaver	$ 1045 82	$ 58 00	$ 29 06	$ 69 32	$ 2 00	.....	$ 18 54	$ 48 80	$ 1 06	$ 2 83	$ 38	$ 1 00	$ 50	.....	$ 938 66	$ 52 14	$ 18 68	$ 78 69	$ 17 10	$ 10 01	$ 4 09	$ 4 18	$ 51 60	$ 90	$ 1 50	$ 53	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Benton Boro	610 24	13 50	111 61	288 10	8 50	50 84	9 24	16 21	14	25	1 73	3 01	.....	.....	298 69	4 61	56 01	212 40	...	9 27	6 04	.....	.....	.....	.....	49	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Benton Twp	912 32	58 50	126 49	373 32	41 50	16 49	13 31	21 95	32	85	2 09	5 50	.....	.....	503 71	15 83	102 41	386 45	37 92	8 53	10 34	4 47	16	63	3 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Berwick	3637 36	43 50	422 50	970 56	24 01	85 00	51 04	134 34	37	98	6 41	16 88	.....	.....	2501 42	18 15	314 33	865 61	24 18	89 18	18 25	46 58	3 60	45	5 00	1 76	6 00	6 71	210 70	57 82	14 50	254 48	43 77	26 00	6 50	.....	.....	.....
Bloom	9602 92	78 00	1378 42	3745 43	58 22	307 95	127 99	265 84	64	95	22 15	50 59	.....	.....	5483 66	24 19	997 78	3556 96	14 88	318 33	64 81	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Briarcreek	1899 53	72 53	279 82	789 53	51 50	13 82	21 09	55 51	40	1 05	5 05	13 31	.....	.....	1033 41	19 55	247 65	792 82	39 28	.....	36 73	12 12	.....	.....	2 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Catawissa Boro	2154 80	43 50	404 45	631 52	28 58	14 60	28 94	76 16	28	75	7 41	19 49	.....	...	1418 18	13 91	362 93	611 28	13 05	19 50	11 97	32 72	.....	45	3 00	74	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Catawissa Twp	630 16	33 51	43 44	245 16	25 03	9 83	10 69	18 75	21	43	.....	96	1 68	.....	345 56	7 83	31 00	252 54	18 00	6 05	10 52	4 81	.....	.....	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Centralia	1336 45	1 00	330 71	291 16	07	23 15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1034 30	93	307 56	81 00	.....	219 65	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Centre	2212 41	53 50	121 91	628 17	36 32	6 94	33 45	73 95	34	85	2 19	5 75	.....	.....	1476 94	16 00	107 00	961 25	32 37	78	23 32	14 38	5 76	.....	.....	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cleveland	947 62	66 50	97 17	559 62	44 53	31 17	7 37	19 40	42	1 10	1 25	3 30	.....	.....	361 23	30 48	61 45	583 19	36 55	26 70	12 32	4 70	1 23	45	2 00	10	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	98 14	36 00	16 06
Cleveland	3066 91	78 50	61 30	442 81	78 50	65 30	71 31	93 47	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2456 32	.....	.....	920 00	.....	.....	21 05	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Conyngham	1712 33	39 00	114 40	997 66	46 00	41 40	18 45	27 50	25	65	1 34	3 50	4 64	.....	664 05	12 10	65 17	1091 45	43 50	.....	23 50	16 24	4 00	.....	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fishingcreek	873 38	38 00	45 08	108 13	3 00	5 08	22 35	30 00	1 00	1 75	1 11	2 03	.....	.....	632 90	31 25	38 86	33 12	1 51	2 99	.....	2 80	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Franklin	1532 60	52 01	123 77	851 41	36 00	20 18	12 94	31 06	30	80	1 97	5 18	.....	.....	634 19	14 93	96 44	636 48	29 75	11 48	11 82	.....	.....	65	.....	37	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Greenwood	1499 22	63 50	48 72	443 12	38 50	.....	27 51	39 50	42	1 10	.....	2 44	3 60	.....	983 49	21 48	45 35	44 89	30 00	.....	10 98	5 41	5 20	.....	1 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 78	8 48	1 00
Hemlock	471 38	45 50	61 35	308 85	36 51	33 44	3 61	6 37	26	45	.....	79	1 39	.....	152 43	8 28	23 70	223 44	46 50	42 54	6 57	.....	.....	1 05	.....	1 57	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jackson	1319 99	63 00	213 28	511 01	39 53	54 57	17 83	36 59	45	1 18	3 02	7 94	.....	.....	754 68	21 87	147 75	412 38	34 63	29 43	5 47	2 52	3 01	31	1 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Locust	1839 85	38 00	109 81	677 71	23 97	17 17	25 26	36 84	39	65	1 80	4 49	.....	.....	900 04	13 13	85 55	631 72	3 00	.....	16 78	7 86	15 18	.....	2 5	.....	40 22	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Madison	946 91	37 52	117 52	156 29	30 21	15 27	23 66	25 57	49	80	1 91	5 11	.....	.....	741 39	16 17	95 21	135 31	21 01	40 75	2 94	3 36	.....	.....	1 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Main	1368 98	65 50	76 36	656 74	44 50	12 41	13 38	35 21	40	1 05	1 22	3 21	.....	.....	655 65	19 53	59 54	680 94	41 50	34 87	19 06	3 21	.....	.....	1 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mifflin	564 20	9 00	466 51	44 11	7 50	13 40	16 57	21 92	04	08	12 91	22 64	.....	.....	481 60	1 38	417 54	129 56	.....	.....	1 68	1 60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Millville	1170 26	11 00	62 93	532 96	6 50	8 43	12 80	32 37	09	23	1 01	2 78	.....	.....	632 63	4 18	50 78	434 54	4 50	2 40	10 52	3 84	8 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Montour	964 16	41 50	75 98	354 33	24 00	18 51	16 92	21 89	54	58	1 43	3 92	.....	.....	571 02	16 40	53 72	403 52	28 91	16 43	12 85	1 98	.....	68	50	54	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Pleasant	1483 35	48 00	314 07	682 87	38 00	6 70	11 08	29 16	29	75	5 84	15 86	17 34	.....	842 90	15 94	285 17	381 78	7 94	42 00	10 94	5 50	15 16	.....	1 50	.....	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Orange	648 37	32 50	29 96	27 37	12 50	9 96	17 41	39 45	57	1 00	57	1 01	.....	.....	563 14	14 43	18 43	48 33	30	3 16	.....	12 72	5 22	.....	1 01	.....	41	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pine	644 32	34 00	52 19	196 07	27 00	8 78	15 28	15 85	26	45	1 21	2 17	.....	.....	417 12	8 29	40 00	252 19	18 81	4 60	6 52	58	2	39	58	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Scott	1899 29	45 00	328 60	99 20	28 00	23 60	31 29	93 00	32	85	5 85	15 49	.....	.....	1675 89	15 84	284 75	290 91	27 50	11 30	11 00	10 22	10 84	....	6 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sugarloaf	785 42	64 03	21 57	347 51	51 00	11 07	15 89	13 50	37	65	29	50	.....	of '98 50	408 61	11 98	9 21	216 82	63 50	21 72	6 30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total	$47310 34	$1341 59	$663 38	$16 29 04	$866 36	$925 03	$197 44	$1731 06	$10 52	$22 81	$92 94	$117 92	$26 04	50	$29203 72	$411 81	$4126 91	$15828 41	$369 11	$978 66	$382 41	$291 41	$131 16	$5 93	$43 80	$6 60	$17 86	$6 71	$220 48	$46 30	$15 80	$254 48	$43 77	$26 00	$6 50	$98 14	$36 00	$16 06

AMOUNTS DUE FROM COLLECTORS PRIOR TO 1899.

DISTRICTS.	YEAR.	COLLECTORS.	COUNTY.	DOG.	STATE.
Benton Bor	1898	D. J. Lewis, Collector	$ 57 60	$ 7 50	$ 25 05
Bloom	1898	L. D. Kase, "	1229 09	57 96	44 35
Catawissa Bor.	1898	M. V. B. Kline "	46 11	14 50	33 33
Centralia	1898	Geo. W. Davis "	385 65	3 00	11 56
Centre	1898	Jno. Scott "	20 00		
Conyngham	1898	F. P. Brennan "	391 30	40 50	46 05
Greenwood	1898	S. Y. Mather "	28 01	14 50	21 87
Jackson	1898	C. W. Young "	61 75	19 45	17 90
Madison	1898	D. N. Williams "	97 00	27 85	18 85
Orange	1898	Amos Neyhard "	77 50	19 06	
Sugarloaf	1898	Aaron Hess "	29 54	4 00	
Centralia	1897	Jno. W. Fortner "		12 00	196 10
Beaver	1896	N. H. Ney "	461 70	38 00	19 81
Bloom	1896	J. K. Bittenbender "	318 84	27 50	66 13
Centralia	1896	Jno. W. Fortner "			172 01
Conyngham	1895	Jacob Breaner "	10 47	15 50	90
"	1893	" " "	318 02	38 00	
			$ 3532 58	$ 389 32	$ 679 31

LICENSE ACCOUNT FOR 1899.

DISTRICT.	TOWNSHIP SHARE.	TREASURER'S COMMISSION.	COUNTY SHARE.	WHO DREW TOWNSHIP'S SHARE.
Beaver	$ 57 00	$ 3 00	$ 15 00	Samuel Lehr.
Benton Boro	456 00	24 00	120 00	John Heacock.
Berwick	684 00	36 00	180 00	Chas. C. Evans.
Bloom	1254 00	66 00	330 00	A. N. Yost.
Catawissa Boro	570 00	30 00	150 00	C. E. Geyer.
Catawissa Twp	114 00	6 00	30 00	W. M. Levan.
Centralia Boro	1482 00	78 00	390 00	Geo. H. Davis.
Conyngham	342 00	18 00	90 00	S. M. Reilly
Montour	114 00	6 00	30 00	Joseph Ranch.
Greenwood	171 00	9 00	45 00	John Thomas.
Hemlock	57 00	3 00	15 00	J. C. Traup.
Locust	114 00	6 00	30 00	D. A. Rumbel.
Madison	114 00	6 00	30 00	J. W. Smith.
Main	114 00	6 00	30 00	Samuel Allstetter.
Mifflin	114 00	6 00	30 00	John P. Aten.
Orange	171 00	9 00	45 00	Samuel Y Keller.
Scott	114 00	6 00	30 00	Philip Angle.
Sugarloaf	285 00	15 00	75 00	C. W. Hess.
	$6837 00	$ 333 00	$1665 00	

GEO. S. FLECKENSTINE, County Treas., in account with Columbia County.

DR.

To amt. cash on hand Jan. 2, 1899		$ 6931 13
" amt. rec'd from collectors on dups. of county, 1899		29203 72
" amt. rec'd from collectors on dups of dog, 1899		441 80
" amt. rec'd from collectors on dups. of state, 1899		4426 93
" amt. rec'd from collectors on dups. of county prior to 1899		15828 43
" amt. rec'd from collectors on dups. of dog, prior to 1899		669 14
" amt. rec'd from collectors on dups. of state, prior to 1899		918 66
" amt rec'd from seated lands		84 76
" " " unseated "		453 46
" " " hotel and restaurant license		1665 00
" amt rec'd from redemption		
Beaver, Geo. J. Kocher	$ 3 53	
Hemlock, Thos. Gorrey	8 96	
Mifflin, Abe Kline	6 75	
Mifflin, J. M. Mowrey	6 79	
		$ 26 03
From Com. of Penna. on forest fire bills	81 44	
From Bert Miller, old hose	1 00	
" J. N. Gordon, error in settling, 1897	5 00	
From Sheff. Black to jury fees, suits of Kase vs. D.L. & W. R. R	8 00	
From Sheriff Black jury fees	4 00	
" N. Kitchen, surcharge County audit	11 67	
From W. G. Gittens, fine of Rich't Springs	5 00	
From Chas. Payne, cost in Com. suit	27 55	
From Geo. Carl, cost Com. vs. Broffee	9 80	
From N. Kitchen, old plank	50	
" J. W. Latta, expenses, return to Col. Co	55 00	
From Al. Goodman, costs Com. vs. G. Degustine	11 00	
From Geo. Degustine, costs Com. vs. G. Degustine	19 00	
From O. Sult, cost Com. vs. Isaiah Snyder	30 51	
From Jno. Farrell, cost Com. vs. Jno Farrell	15 00	
From K. Yeager, cost Com. vs. K. Yeager	25 00	
From E. W. M. Low, plank	1 80	
" W. H. Henrie, jury fees	56 00	
" J. N. Gordon, cement sold	1 25	
		$ 368 52
Tax of personal state tax returned, 1897	4177 13	
Tax of personal state tax returned, 1898	4005 00	
Tax of personal state tax returned 1899	4246 93	
		12429 06
		$ 73506 61

CR.

By amt. county orders redeemed current	$24001 20	
By amt. commission @ 3 per cent	720 04	
		24721 24
By amt. county orders on bridges and repairs	4917 11	
By amt. commission @ 1½ per cent	73 75	
		4990 86
By amt. county bonds redeemed	9700 00	
By amt. commission	145 50	
		9845 50
By amt. coupons redeemed	5228 00	
" " commission	78 42	
		5306 42
By amt. state tax to Commonwealth, 1898	5340 00	
By amt. commission	53 94	
		5393 94
By amt. state tax to Commonwealth, 1899	5662 57	
By amt. commission	57 19	
		5719 76
By amt. tax on loans, 1898	345 04	
" " commission	18 16	
		363 20
By amt tax on seated and unseated lands, returned to twps	1337 19	
By amt. commission	41 35	
		1378 54
By amt. sheep orders redeemed	130 50	
" " commission	3 92	
		134 42
By amt. paid County Supt	200 00	
" " commission	6 00	
		206 00
By amt. tax on loans, 1899	275 88	
" " commission	14 52	
		290 40
By amt. bill blanks, receipts, box rent, stamps, for 1897, '98, '99	44 60	
		44 60
By amt. int. on B. R. Yetter, bond No. 5 overdue	11 62	
By amt. commission	17	
		11 79
By amt. cash in treasury		15099 94
		$73506 61

GEO. S. FLECKENSTINE, Treas., in account with state, 1899.

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To amt. wholesale liquor license		$ 1000 00
To amt. distiller liquor license	700 00	
" " bottlers license	875 00	
" " additional liquor license	200 00	
		2775 00
To amt. billiard and pool license	190 00	
To amt. mercantile license	2272 50	
		$ 7812 50

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By amt. paid state on wholesale license	950 00	
By amt. treas. commission	50 00	
By amt. paid state on distiller license	665 00	
By amt. treas. commission	35 00	
" " paid state on bottlers license	831 25	
By amt. treas. commission	43 75	
" " paid state on additional license	2711 13	
By amt. treas. commission	63 87	
By amt. paid state on billiard and pool license	180 50	
By amt. treas. commission	9 50	
By amt paid state on mercantile license	2048 64	
By amt. paid for advertising	162 50	
By amt. treas. commission	61 36	
		$ 7812 50

TAXES DUE BOROUGHS AND TOWNSHIPS ON SEATED AND UNSEATED LANDS FOR 1896 and 1897, and paid in 1899 by Treasurer.

Henry Eckroat, Beaver, road	$ 66 66
D. H Michael, " school and building	196 42
Simon Hanns, Beaver, poor	19 70
W. S. Ash, Briarcreek, road	43
David P. Smith, " school	56 35
M. H. Petty " poor	8 39
S. F. Carpenter, Bloom, road	217 30
G. H. Sharpless, Catawissa Twp., school	15 91
John Waltz, Catawissa Twp., poor	8 29
J. B. Yetter, Catawissa Boro., road	3 78
J. B. Yetter, Catawissa Boro., poor	1 89
John R. Deamer, Catawissa Boro., school	7 17
Allen Shellhammer, Centre, road	6 13
John Kelchner, Centre, school	13 74
Wm. Beck, Centre, poor	7 88
C. Small, Cleveland, school and building	31 49
C. Small, Cleveland, poor	26 79
O. B. Millard, Conyngham, school and building	77 51
O. B. Millard, Conyngham, poor	6 13
Daniel Wenner, Fishingcreek, road	46 10
A. A. Eveland, Fishingcreek, school and building	14 12
J. A. Karns, Fishingcreek, poor	39 04
G. H Sharpless, Franklin, school	5 60
Nehemiah Kitchen, Greenwood road	13 53
Wm. S. Utt, Greenwood, school	9 90
C. R. Steck, Hemlock, school and building	24 59
C. R. Steck, Hemlock, poor	15 24
Alexander Knouse, Jackson, school	15 86
S. M. Dilts, Jackson, poor	9 99
A. B. Bittner, Locust, school	7 76
Chas. Beaver, Locust, poor	1 65
Geo. Whitenight, Madison, road	22 16
Hiram Turner, Madison, school and building	62 83
Hiram Turner, Madison, poor	19 78
Soloman Delm, Main, road	39 75
W. H. Fisher, Main, school	1 16
J. B. Nuss, Main, poor	12 55
Geo. M. Devlin, Mifflin, poor	14 62
Eri Ikeler, Mt. Pleasant, road	2 40
T. W. Oman, Mt. Pleasant, school	3 62
Clint Crawford, Mt. Pleasant, poor	3 60
A. C. Achenbach, Orange, road	10 20
A. W. Eveland, Orange, poor	3 52
Bige Girton, Pine, school	13 37
Robt Potter, " poor	9 38
John Hampton, Roaringcreek, road	62 76
H. C. Heiling, Roaringcreek, school	33 45
Wilson Wanick, Scott, road	1 95
E. A. Schnoidman, " school	4 04
John A. Kline, Sugarloaf "	82 06
	$ 1378 54

COMMISSIONERS' EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR 1899 OF COLUMBIA CO., FOR WHICH ORDERS WERE ISSUED ON MATTERS AND BILLS APPROVED BY THE BOARD.

MISCELLANOUS EXPENSES.

A. B. Croop, tax to collector	$ 2 50
H. H. Hulme, surveying Central bridge	4 65
Frank M. Knapp, copy of decision of Court	3 00
P. B. Heddens, meals for jurors	5 20
Clem K. Geiss, auditing public accts	44 25
A. C. DeSheppard, repairing seal	75
H. F. Geddes, testimony Berwick river bridge	4 85
Grace Hartzel, storage on cement	9 00
Tramp, pants and car fare to Pottsville Mid Valley Supply Co., repairs to booths	2 99
W. H. Leiby, hauling cement	3 43
Peter Jones, hauling plank	6 00
I. Baumgerten & Son, repairing seal	2 00
B. F. Zarr, assisting solicitor	2 50
Thos. Gorry, service at Berwick bridge	25 00
W. H. Henrie, reporting judgments	25 00
" " reports to board of public charities	181 55
W. H. Henrie recording births and deaths	30 00
W. H. Henrie, counting fall vote, filing election returns, &c	85 00
W. H. Henrie, affidavits, venires, certificates, &c	15 50
W. H. Henrie, recording twp. officers	99 45
C. B. Ent, reporting mortgages	40 50
W. W. Black, report to board of public charities	56 60
W. W. Black, taking Mensinger to Eastern Penitentiary	20 00
W. W. Black, taking Geist to Eastern Penitentiary	35 52
W. W. Black, taking Geist to asylum	34 92
Adams Ex. Co. et al., freight charges	6 20
	8 49
	$ 754 85

COURTS, JURORS, AND CONSTABLES RETURN TO SESSIONS.

Newton Walker, Court Stenographer 44 days taking notes in Court	440 00
Writing out notes in cases viz:—	
Petriken case	$ 33 20
Centralia Poor District	18 05
Lehigh & W. B. Coal Co.	8 22
Shuman case	176 85
Hamlin case	40 52
Dennis Brink case	39 72
Middleburg Poor District	3 62
L. & W. Coal Co. case	76 81
Phoebe Croop et al. case	11 49
Mutual Fire Ins. Co	6 26
	$ 441 46
D. R. Coffman, court crier	5 00
P. B. Heddens, boarding jury	6 05
Mrs B. Stohner " "	5 20
Jones and Hagenbuch, tipstaves	9 00
G. J. Vandersice, taking notes in court	40 00
J. S. Williams, court crier	200 00
M. E Cox, tipstaff	18 00
E. Snutt "	100 00
W. W. Barratt, tipstaff	103 00
F. P. Baum, tipstaff	4 50
Charles McCaslin, tipstaff	7 50
B. B. Freas, tipstaff	12 00
Grand jurors	811 94
Traverse jurors	2968 74
G. E Elwell, court calenders	39 40
Constables return to sessions	499 20
W. W. Black, serving jury notices	147 80
G. B. Hummer, jury commissioner	29 92
Joseph Crawford, jury commissioner	16 60
W. H. Henrie, swearing and cert. jury	4 20
	$ 5909 51

COSTS IN COMMONWEALTH CASES.

W. H. Henrie, clerk of courts	$ 165 65
J. G. Harman, district attorney	252 00
W. W. Black, sheriff	79 65
Constables, justices and witnesses	1414 55
	$ 1911 85

ROADS AND BRIDGES, VIEWS AND ROAD DAMAGES.

James H Shultz et al. division Jackson and Sugarloaf	14 50
J. D. McHenry, damages in Fishingc'k	20 00
Jos. W. Kitchen, damage in Pine	5 00
C. R. Watts, damage in Greenwood	10 00
Wm. Appleman, damage Hemlock	40 00
G. W. Fullmer, " "	100 00
B. F. Mosteller, " Sugarloaf	12 00
Fred Getz " "	18 00
John Roan, damage in Orange and Fishingcreek	10 00
C. O. Smith, expert at Berwick bridge	20 00
E. J. Ohl, damage in Hemlock	60 00
B. F. Shultz, damage in Orange and Fishingcreek	20 00
Sundry viewers, inspectors and surveyors	715 92
M. A. Moore, damages in Hemlock	75 00
W. H. Henrie, reviews and damages	3 30
	$ 1123 72

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE AND COURT HOUSE.

H. J. Demott, county auditor	$ 133 80
W. F. Stohner, " "	117 00
J. B. Yetter, " "	117 36
W. O. Holmes, plumbing	19 61
H. K. Smith, painting dome	20 00
Grozier & Son, brooms	3 00
C. G. Barkley, solicitor	200 00
M. J. Casey, plastering	2 60
F. C. Giboney, cleaning carpet	7 98
E. J. Brown, street sprinkling	13 50
Bloom Paper Co. paper	1 55
Peter Jones, iron bar and bolts	3 12
Bloom Water Co, water	101 77
Bloom Gas Co. gas	118 51
American Gas Co., gas	17 61
Bloom Steam Co., steam	481 25
D. R. Coffman, janitor	300 00
D. Z. Mensch, Comrs' clerk 4 mos	266 66
" " to extra time	15 00
R. F. Vandersliee, comrs' clerk 8 mos	533 34
F. M. Keiner, cuspidors	1 10
W. C. Trappe, gas fixtures	2 80
Moyer Bros. paint	2 05
Telephone Co., phone rent	18 00
C. W. Runyon hardware	35
Wm. Krickbaum, Commissioner, 171 days @ $3.50	598 50
This includes time at office, attending road and bridge views, looking after bridges, delivering election blanks, assess books and seeing to the delivering of his share of Reg. books and tax duplicates. Trip to Wilkes-Barre and one trip to Harrisburg on the personal State tax matter.	
Nehemiah Kitchen, Commissioner, 121 days at office,	
13 " " road and bridge views	
68 " " bridges	
5 " delivering assess books duplicates and election blanks, total 207 days @ $3.50	$ 724 50
Horse hire and car fare	177 86 — 902 36
John N. Gordon, Commissioner	780 63
	$ 4779 85

COUNTY JAIL AND PRISON REQUISITIONS.

Amos E. Krum, sand	50
Hoffman & Allison, repairing lawn mower	1 10
Samuel Kemp, examining boiler	1 50
John Jones, 2 strips leather	80
A. C. DeSheppard	2 75
C. B. Ohl, repairing boiler	14 09
F. P. Pursel, ticking	1 86
Jacob Keller, 25 yards toweling	1 00
H. G. supplee, nails and mattresses	8 40
W. R. Kocher, 1 ton coal	3 50
J. H Kesty, work on range	4 99
Mrs. W. W. Black, making pillows	2 00
Bloom Water Co, water	25 01
American Gas Light Co., gas	35 05
Bloom Gas Co., gas	60 35
W. O. Holmes, plumbing	2 60
C. F. Deitterick, janitor 8 mo	200 00
C. F. Deitterick, washing for prisoners	22 93
" " painting	15 00
W. W. Black, boarding prisoners	327 00
" " committments	10 50
" " washing for prisoners	15 49
John Taylor, janitor, 4 mos	100 00
J. F. Hidlay, mdse	4 71
Moyer Bros, glass, putty and plaster	2 46
G. D. Hartman, coal	146 31
C. W. Runyon, mdse	14 56
W. F. Hartman, material and repairs	33 35
" " new range	72 00
Creasy & Wells, lumber	6 70
J. R Schuyler, oil	1 70
Dr. J. S. John, jail physician	43 35
	$ 1191 56

PRINTING, STATIONERY AND POSTAGE.

J. D. Lingle, binding newspapers	$ 4 50
W. G. Johnson, stationery	31 13
Jas. L. Evans, 1500 tax receipts	3 00
S. R. Bidleman, stationery	9 50
J. K. Bittenbender, printing tax receipts	4 00
O. B. Melick, box rent	$ 3 00
" " postage	36 50 — 39 50
G. E. Elwell, printing blanks, etc	68 89
" " pub. county statement	67 55
" " sub. to Columbian	1 00
" " pub. election proclamation	25 00
C. E. Randall, county statements	6 30
" " election proclamation	25 00
" " advertising	3 00
Benton Argus, advertising	1 90
" " county statement	5 00
Millville Tablet, county statements	3 70
J. C. Brown, county statements	50 00
" " pub. election proclamation	25 00
" " sub. to Republican	5 00
Wm. Krickbaum, pub. election proclamation	25 00
	$ 403 27

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CURRENT COMMENT.

Notes and Comments, Political and Otherwise, on Matters of Public Interest.

It is claimed that Marcus Aurelius Hanna is of Quaker descent. If true, the fact goes a long way toward proving that hereditary tendencies do not count for much, for Quakers as a rule are modest, honest, peaceable and truthful.

W. J. Bynum still insists that he is a Democrat in spite of the fact that McKinley appointed him to a $7,500 position as a reward for his services in aiding to disrupt the Democratic party in 1896. Bynum has about as good a claim to being called a Democrat as Judas Iscariot had to being classed as a Christian.

The people will never submit to the "brutal domination of the gentleman from Ohio," or his master, Mark Hanna. Hanna had sold the Republican party, body and soul, to Wall street, and had forced the passage of the gold bill in order to repay campaign obligations to the national banks, whose money had carried the country in 1896. —Hon. William Sulzer.

No firm was more emphatic in declaring that Bryan's election would bring ruin than was that of Harper Brothers, who were sure that general prosperity would follow the choice of McKinley. McKinley was elected, or at least seated, and yet long before the close of his administration the Harpers were forced to the financial wall to the tune of over a million dollars.

Strange as it may seem, Spain is having a wave of prosperity, but the most ardent imperialist will not claim that it can be attributed to expansion. Perhaps it is due to the loss of her colonial possessions and to our taking the Filipino war off her hands for $20,000,000. Colonial possessions proved to be Spain's curse, as they will prove to be the curse of the United States.

Talmage declares that the last thing Mr. Moody said to him was, "Never be tempted, under any circumstances, to give up your publication of weekly sermons throughout the world," and Mr. Talmage says he will heed the solemn charge as long as he has the strength to furnish the sermons and the newspaper types desire to take them. He should have added, "at a good round price per type."

The good Democrats of Pennsylvania must see to it that none but men of character and ability are chosen as candidates for the next legislature. Quay emissaries are at work in different sections of the state trying to secure the nomination of Democrats who will be easily defeated or who, if elected, may be manipulated in the interests of the Quay machine. Every Democrat who has any respect for his party or any love for his state should see that none but those worthy of trust are to be put on guard.

Governor Stone a few days ago advised a vigorous prosecution of those engaged in the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine. He has, however, not opened his head as to the prosecution of the ballot box stuffers in Philadelphia, whose criminal operations strike at the very foundation principles of republican government. In fact, his course in vetoing the measures looking toward a more honest ballot indicate that his sympathies are with the villains who are doing time behind the bars for their crimes against our election laws.

If salvation is free, as proclaimed, the Bible can hardly be classed as among the necessary means of securing it, for the Bible, along with almost everything else, has gone into the hands of a trust. Four of the strongest Bible publishers have pooled their business and propose to raise the price of the word of God 25 per cent to start with. It is fortunate for good people that Heaven is so far beyond the reach of the trust magnates as to preclude their forming a trust on the seats in the celestial kingdom. That is about the only place now free from their blighting influence.

Mr. McKinley has changed his mind so frequently that it has become the worse of the wear. He turned a somersault on the silver question; he deliberately abandoned his position against imperialism, and he stabbed civil service reform after pledging himself to uphold it. No wonder that Hanna is a "biger" man than McKinley, because the man who either has no convictions on any subject of general public interest or who has them and lacks the courage to carry them out isn't entitled to such respect, even if he does rattle around in the chair once filled by Washington, Adams, Jackson and Lincoln.

The national Republican convention will doubtless flaunt some new lie to the public breeze to catch the voter, who, when the campaign opens, lets his thinking out to be one by the political boss. Bimetallism has long served the purpose of catching suckers, but now after passing a gold standard law and subsidizing nearly all the leading papers of both political parties in sounding the praises of monometallism it is hardly likely that the g. o. p. will consider it necessary to parade the same old lie about favoring bimetallism, though the leaders are very much concerned as to what the effect will be when they throw off the mask and declare to the country what infernal liars they have been all these years in pretending to favor the double standard. The platform in 1892 declared "The United States from tradition and interest" favor bimetallism. This statement is true, but it should have been followed with the explanation that while the United States favors bimetallism, Wall street and the money trust are opposed to it, and as between the two the United States must take a back seat as long as Hanna bears rule.

The Kansas farmer is getting about 45 cents for his wheat, and he is paying three times as much for his nails as he was before McKinley came into office. But he gets good dollars for his wheat. Strange, isn't it, that those dollars do not buy more nails?—Cleveland Recorder.

PUBLIC OPINION.

Opinions From Various Sources on Questions of the Day.

If the promises of the Quay machine are carried out there will be several speakers of the next house at Harrisburg. It is reported that the bosses have been liberal in their pledges to ambitious seekers who are willing to give suport to the machine in exchange for the position.

If political and personal favorites were sent to govern the Filipinos their cupidity and inefficiency would in time become as intolerable to the natives as the maladministration of Spanish officials before President McKinley adopted his policy of giving the Filipinos freedom by shooting them to death.—Baltimore Sun.

Alger has gone, and the New York World says Gage must go. The Denver News wants to know why the country should not get at the root of the matter and demand that McKinley shall go. Next thing somebody will want to get further into the ground and insist on the disappearance of Mr. Hanna.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

The World finds in the story of the great Frick-Carnegie suit "one of the most pitiful and moving tales of the poverty of the protected industries that has ever reached the public eyes. Only a paltry $21,000,000 of profits last year, with a gloomy outlook for a miserable $42,000,000 this year! The Carnegie Steel company ought to go into the shipping business and apply for bounties to supplement its tariff stipends.—New York World.

The Pennsylvania corporations last year, having more than one-fourth more invested than the New York roads, earned more than a third more than they did, but paid in taxes—and this is the point of the Philadelphia paper—less than one-third as much as was paid by the New York roads. The total taxes paid by the Pennsylvania roads was $2,607,608. The taxes paid by the New York roads was $8,543,587, or $5,935,979 more than was paid by the railroads of Pennsylvania.—Philadelphia North American.

We do not accept Mr. Bryan as our leader and glory in our leadership because he reflects our feelings, but because he has no feelings that are not greater, above and beyond us. If there were any man his superior, any greater man, that man should be the leader of the Democratic party today. It is because of his great spiritual, moral and intellectual personality, because he is a great all-around man, selected by Providence to lead the people of the United States back to their own institutions, that we take him as our leader.—Hon. George Fred Williams.

What would Christ think of imperialism? What would he think of Cecil Rhodes? What would he think of the English slums, of the English paupers, of the English millionaires, of the Indian and Russian poverty and famine, of the submarine boat, the quick firing gun, the melenite shell and the torpedo? What would he think of the disgraceful plots and intrigues of imperialists in Africa? What would he think of the dismemberment of China, the slaughter of the Soudan, the kidnaping of Finland, and Rudyard Kipling's hymns?—London Clarion.

Two fellows were arrested Monday for peddling pins without a license. By selling the pins they could earn enough to keep body and soul together, but they couldn't procure a license because they didn't have the price. If they begged they would have been arrested. If they resorted to stealing they would have met the same fate, and if they did not work they would have been arrested for vagrancy. The judge gave them an hour to leave town. The highways are too muddy to walk on. If they walk on the railroad track they will be arrested. If they stay they steal a ride the railroad company will have them arrested. If they stay here they will be sent to jail, and if they go somewhere else they will be unable to keep out of jail. There is something wrong.—Missouri World.

The First Baby.

When baby comes to the home it will bind the wife closer to the husband, or it will gradually tend to cut her off from his companship. A sickly mother loses in physical charm, and often in temper and disposition. A fretful child is a trial, even to loving parents. The use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription prepares the wife for motherhood. It strengthens the body, and induces a healthy condition of mind, free from anxiety or fear. It makes the baby's advent practically painless. The mother being healthy her child is healthy, and a healthy child is a happy child, a joy to the parents, linking them together with a new bond of affection.

There is no opium, cocaine or other narcotic in "Favorite Prescription."

"I read what your medicine has done for other people," writes Mrs. Edwin H. Gardner, of Beechwood, Norfolk Co., Mass., Box 70, "so thought I would try it, and I found it a blessing to me and family. I took your medicine a year when I had a ten pound girl. I had the easiest time I ever had with any of my three children, and I have been very well ever since. I took three bottles of 'Favorite Prescription,' three of 'Golden Medical Discovery,' and three vials of 'Pellets.' Before I took your medicine I only weighed 135 pounds, and now I weigh 175 pounds."

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cure sick headache.

VALUE OF ORATORY.

Eloquent Flights Are Not of as Much Use Before Juries as Plain Fluency.

In an address before the Irish Literary society on "John Philpot Curran," Lord Russell of Killowen, the chief justice, declared the value of oratory to a lawyer is overrated. He asserted that it is an important vehicle for argument and for the enunciation and enforcement of great principles. "But," he said, "there is a tendency to run to seed in this regard, and to look upon fluency of speech as if it were oratory." Gifts of speech could never attain to their real momentum and power until founded upon a substratum of carefully acquired knowledge and upon solid argument. The opinion of the lord chief justice is that of most men who have considered the subject. The art of oratorical flights is less practiced, not so much because men are less able to make such speeches, but because they have lost their value. They are of slight use before juries and of no use with judges. There is a popular disposition to distrust the man who makes too great a display of his gifts of speech when he makes an address. The public, being more enlightened, has come to weigh arguments more carefully. When the orator is able to appeal to the passion of the moment he is sometimes influential, but there his power ends. This is why the leaders of the bar to-day are not great orators, but rather men with the carefully acquired knowledge which they are able to present logically to the judge or jury they would convince.

A Mistake.

Gladys—I thought you said he was rich?

Mildred—Oh, no! I merely said he had more money than brains.—Chicago Times-Herald.

What Did She Mean?

Slowboy—I am going to kiss you to-night when I go.

Miss Willing—Don't you think it time you were going?—Chicago Daily News.

A Bargain.

May—How on earth did you come to accept him?

Fay—Oh, he looked so cheap when he proposed I couldn't help taking him!—Philadelphia Press.

"A SINGLE FACT is worth a shipload of argument." What shall be said, then, of thousands of facts? Every cure by Hood's Sarsaparilla is fact, presenting the strongest possible evidence of the merit of this medicine. Thousands and thousands of such facts prove that Hood's Sarsaparilla will cure all diseases caused or promoted by impure blood. It is the best medicine money can buy

Indigestion, nausea are cured by Hood's Pills.

It seems strange that a woman will shriek at the sight of a mouse and yet face a dentist with admirable fortitude.

In its advanced and chronic form a cold in the head is known as Nasal Catarrh and is the recognized source of other diseases. Having stood the test of continued successful use, Ely's Cream Balm is recognized as a specific for membranal diseases in the nasal passages, and you should resort to this treatment in your own case. It is not drying, does not produce sneezing. Price 50 cents at druggists or by mail. Ely Brothers, 56 Warren Street, New York. Give up prejudice and try it.

It isn't always the man with the largest feet who secures the best foothold in society.

A GOD-SENT BLESSING.—Mr. B. F. Wood, of Easton, Pa., was a great sufferer from Organic Heart Disease. He never expected to be well again, but Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart was his good angel, and he lives to-day to tell it to others Hear him. "I as for fifteen years a great sufferer from Heart Disease, had smothering spells, palpitation, pain in left side and swelled ankles. Twenty physicians treated me, but I got no relief. I used Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart One dose relieved me inside of thirty minutes. Seven bottles cured me." 26

Sold by C. A. Kleim.

A man may often talk about himself and yet not know what he is talking about.

WHAT DO THE CHILDREN DRINK?—Don't give them tea or coffee. Have you tried the new food drink called GRAIN-O? It is delicious and nourishing and takes the place of coffee. The more Grain-O you give the children the more health you distribute through their systems. Grain-O is made of pure grains, and when properly prepared, tastes like the choice grades of coffee, but costs about ¼ as much. All grocers sell it. 15c. and 25c. 3 1 4td

It doesn't do for the man with the pull not to know the ropes.

COSTS 10 CENTS—But worth a dollar a vial This is the testimony of hundreds who use Dr. Agnew's Liver Pills They are so sure, so pure, so pleasant and easy acting The demand for this popular liver regulator is so great it is taxing the makers to keep up with it. 29

Sold by C. A. Kleim.

Some people are willing to keep everything that comes their way, except Lent.

IS YOUR AILMENT CATARRH?—"I had catarrh for 1 year." "I had Catarrh for 2 years." "I had catarrh for 5 years." I had catarrh for 20 years." I had catarrh for 50 years," and Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder cured me. These are sentences from the volumes and volumes of testimony for this great catarrh cure, not mythical patients, but words from men and women all over the continent who have been cured. It relieves in ten minutes. 27

Sold by C. A. Kleim.

A fellow may be said to have an end in view when he can see his finish

GRAIN-O! GRAIN-O! — Remember that name when you want a delicious, appetizing, nourishing food drink to take the place of coffee. Sold by all grocers and liked by all who have used it. Grain-O is made of pure grain, it aids digestion and strengthens the nerves. It is not a stimulant, but a health-builder, and the children, as well as the adults, can drink it with great benefit. Costs about ¼ as much as coffee. 15c. and 25c. per package. Ask your grocer for Grain-O.

AN IMPORTANT TEST.

Your Life May be Prolonged by Applying It.

Do you realize the importance of the kidneys and bladder? when diseased they mak a lot of trouble—tear down the system and create gravel (stone in the bladder). Women often suffer from so-called "female weakness" when their trouble really lies with the kidney and bladder. Try this test: Put some urine in a tumbler. Let it stand twenty-four hours. If there is a sediment, a cloudy or milky appearance, your kidneys are sick. If you are obliged to urinate often, especially during the night; if your urine stains linen, if you have scalding pains in passing it, if your back pains you, your bladder and kidneys are diseased, and you should at once take the greatest of all kidney medicines, Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy. It has cured the mort distressing cases; it will cure you.

It corrects the bad effects of beer or whiskey, will cure old and chronic cases of rheumatism and dyspepsia and acts gently yet promptly on the bowels. Favorite Remedy is sold for one dollar a bottle at all drug stores.

You may have a trial bottle of Favorite Remedy with a pamphlet of valuable medical advice sent free by mail postpaid, by sending your address to the DR. DAVID KENNEDY CORPORATION, Rondout, N. Y., and mentioning the COLUMBIAN. The proprietor of this paper gugrantees the genuineness of this liberal offer.

It's only fair to suppose that the homely woman would put a better face on the situation if she were able.

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By virtue of a writ of Fi. Fa. issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia county Pennsylvania and to me directed there will be sold at the Court House in Bloomsburg, county and state aforesaid on

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ADMINISTRATRIX'S NOTICE.

Estate of Margaret Jane McKamey, late of Scott Township Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of Margaret Jane McKamey, late of Scott township, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned administratrix, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payments, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay to

ALICE M. MCKAMEY, Admx

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Estate of Elizabeth R. Kuhn, late of the Town of Bloomsburg, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of Elizabeth R. Kuhn, late of the Town of Bloomsburg, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned administratrix, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payments, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay to

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SATURDAY, MARCH 24, 1900.—George H. Welliver will sell at the Exchange Hotel stables, 30 head of Ohio horses. Sale to commence at one o'clock in the afternoon.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28, 1900.—Charles G. Barkley, administrator of the estate of Conrad Kreamer, deceased, will sell personal property, on the premises, at Jerseytown. Sale to commence at 1 o'clock p.m.

Spring birds will soon be due.

Are you going to move? If so, you will probably need some neat wall paper to beautify your rooms. You can find a large stock and many pretty patterns at Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

The advance in prices at public vendues throughout the country is claimed to be evidence that times are better. Live stock and farm implements have been bringing higher prices than for many years past.

Judge Savidge, of Sunbury, has tried, during his term, seventeen murder cases in Northumberland and Schuylkill counties. In only one of these cases was the defendant hung, two were committed to life imprisonment, and the others were either acquitted or got lesser terms of imprisonment.

The story is going the rounds that a thief recently entered the office of the Oval *Ledger* and captured twenty-six dollars. We say story, because we doubt the truth of any fairy tale like this that attempts to lead the people to believe that any country editor in Pennsylvania ever had twenty-six dollars at one time. —*Ex.*

The protests that have been made against the slaughter of birds appears to have but little effect. New York milliners have just contracted with Delaware parties for the bodies of 8,000 birds, including such members of the feathered tribes as blue birds which have proved themselves effective agents in the destruction of insects that prey upon vegetation.

Saturday last was St. Patrick's Day, the anniversary of the birth of the patron saint of Ireland, and green, which is the insignia of devotion to the one man who, in the far past, did so much for the Cath olic Church, was worn by many. After fifteen centuries the lessons of faith, taught by St. Patrick, are as fresh as on the day he first imparted them.

The *Farm Journal* is 23 years old, prints 40 tons of paper a month, and is out of debt; has a new press that will print 100 papers a minute; it is cut to fit every progressive farmer and villager. Don't you want this fine little paper? Now we have a clubbing arrangement with the *Farm Journal* by which, if you will pay in advance, you can have the COLUMBIAN one year and the *Farm Journal* nearly five years (remainder of 1900, and all of 1901, 1902, 1903 and 1904), all for $1.00. Did you ever hear of such an offer?

The Carpet Trade.

Not many towns the size of Bloomsburg have an exclusive carpet store. W. H. Brower succeeded his grandfather, J. J. Brower, in the retail carpet business, and still remains at the old stand. He has a fine line of carpets in stock, including Brussels, Velvets, Tapestries and Ingrains. Also oil-cloths, Chinese and Japanese mattings, rugs, etc. If his customers cannot be suited with what he has in stock, he can procure a large line of samples from the best makers in the country, at short notice. Persons contemplating the purchase of any floor covering this spring should call on Mr. Brower and get prices. They will save money by it. 3-15 2t

WANTED—SEVERAL PERSONS FOR District Office Managers in this State to represent me in their own and surrounding counties. Willing to pay yearly $600, payable weekly. Desirable employment with unusual opportunities. References exchanged. Enclor self-addressed stamped envelope. S. A. Park, 320 Caxton Building, Chicago. 12-21.16t

The D. L. & W. will run a speciall excursion train to Wilkesbarre Saturday, March 24th. One fare for the round trip, in order to allow amusement patrons of this city to witness a notable attraction at the Nesbit Theatre. The Kelcey Shannon Company in "The Moth and the Flame." "The Moth and the Flame", which Herbert Kelcey and Effie Shannon present at the Nesbit Theatre, Wilkesbarre, Saturday evening March 24 is one of the small number of American dramas one can be forgiven, even an undignified, patriotic enthusiasm over. The play is based upon the theme that love rules the world, and love rules the play. Character is moulded and developed by the influence of love in the world and so are Mr. Fitch's characters in this play. The interest is absorbing during the entire action. The climaxes are intense and thrilling, and the raillery and retort brilliant. In "The Moth and the Flame" Mr. Kelcey and Miss Shannon have been fitted with characters which bring into play their best efforts and reveal them both as artists of force and finish. It is an intensely interesting high-class drama which reveals something of the private life and social environment of New York's ultra-fashionable society. The children's party given by adults at the residence of a society leader, with which the play opens, is, of itself, a revelation of the frivolities indulged in by the "smart set", and as such "holds the mirror up to nature" in a manner which is as truthful and realistic as it is highly interesting and entertaining. There is more or less comedy in the play, but tragedy also plays a part, and two of the strongest situations of the piece are the climaxes at the close of the first and second act, one revealing a suicide in high life, and the other, the denunciation of an aristocratic scoundrel at a swell society church wedding. The cast includes a score of characters and the company is virtually the same as that which has heretofore been seen in the play in all the principal cities for the past two years, and during its New York engagement of 125 nights at Daniel Frohman's Lyceum Theatre. "The Moth and the Flame" ranks among the most notable of American successes, and its attractiveness last season equaled that of "The Christian" and "The Little Minister." Seats may be ordered through the Lackawanna agent. The price of seats will be $1.50, $1.00, 75 cents and 50 cents. 1t

The following is the program of the entertainment, to be given in the Lutheran Church, on Saturday evening, by the Susquehanna University musical organizations:

1. "Alma Mia drae Sempre,".....Cevaire Orchestra.
2. "Kentucky Babe,".....Geibel Glee Club.
3. "Chicago Evening Post March,"..Nixon Mandolin and Guitar Club.
4. Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup..... .....Harrington Glee Club.
5. Cornet Solo—"Edelweiss von Semmering," Fantaise, Opr. 24.....Hoch Mr. Snyder.
6. "The Languid Man,".....Cannotlet Mr. Wingard and Glee Club.
8. Vocal Solo.....Selected Mr. Nicholas.

PART 2.

1. "Overture de Vals,".....Veno Orchestra.
2. "The Phantom Band,".Douglas Thayer Glee Club.
3. "Dangerous Maid Waltzes,"....Geitheus Mandolin and Guitar Club.
4. "Sleep Little Baby of Mine,".....Green Zimmerman, Brumgard, Carpenter and Nicholas.
5. Reading.....Selected Mr. Wingard.
6. "Liza Skinner,".....Moeay Mr. Nicholas and Glee Club.
7. "Varsity Club March,".....Barge Mandolin and Guitar Club
8. Sacred Song.....Glee Club Prof. C. A. Keely, Pianist.

"The Span of Life."

"The Span of Life" a play of the soul-harrowing melodramatic sort, was well presented at the Opera House Tuesday night, and the performance fully merited the encomiums and frequent hearty applause bestowed on it. The piece throughout was realistic and called forth the best powers of the company. The fine acrobatic feats of the wonderful Donezettas, delighted the audience and the human bridge over which the heroine crossed was the most attractive and thrilling scene ever witnessed on the local stage. At the end of the third act the entire company had to cross the stage before the curtain singly to most hearty applause. The work of Carl Anderson, who took the part of the villian was so realistic that the audience was roused to hissing and shouts of derision.

IN THE UNITED STATES COURT.

Two Men Accused of Counterfeiting, Tried at Scranton.

The sessions of the United States Circuit and District Courts opened at Scranton last week Tuesday, Judge Buffington presiding. Judge Acheson usually presides in the Circuit court, but was sitting with the Court of Appeals in Philadelphia last week, and in his absence the District court Judge presides in both. All criminal cases arising from the violation of the laws of the United States are tried in the District court. These include robbing post-offices; sending obscene matter through the mails; using the mails for fraudulent purposes; making or passing counterfeit money; violation of the revenue laws; illicit distilling, &c. In the circuit court are tried all civil suits, and these are cases of litigation between residents of different states.

Grand jurors and petit jurors for these courts are drawn from all over the state, and here there is room for a reform that would save the government much money. There does not seem to be any good reason for drawing jurors from Columbia County to attend court at Erie or Pittsburg, nor for bringing jurors from the western end of the state to Williamsport or Scranton. The state should be properly districted, and jurors drawn from near-by counties, thus saving hundreds of dollars in mileage at each session of court. Last week three cases were tried, and it was estimated that the expense to the government was $2700. Some jurors drew nearly forty dollars for mileage.

The Judges of the United States courts are appointed by the President, and they hold office practically for life. The appointments are necessarily of a partisan character, but, in this state excellent selections have been made and the Judiciary is above reproach.

Cases tried in district and circuit courts can be carried to the Court of Appeals which consists of all the circuit judges of several specified states. From the Court of Appeals they can be carried up to the Supreme Court of the United States. The methods of legal procedure in all these courts is much the same as in our county and state courts.

OFFICERS OF THE COURT.

District Attorney Daniel B. Heiner is assisted in his work by Assistant District Attorneys D. M. Willer, J. N. Laugham and John B. Myers. The other officers of the court are: Fred C. Leonard, marshal; Clark Lowry, Joe H. Irons and J. W. Snyder, deputies; William T. Lindsey, clerk; A. J. Colborn, jr., deputy.

MUNCY VALLEY COUNTERFEITING CASE.

The case of the United States vs. Wellington Lavelle and John R. Gansel was put on trial Tuesday afternoon. They were charged with having in their possession moulds for making coin, and with making coin. The story of the case runs this way: Lavelle, whose home is in Honesdale, is a photographer, and in the summer he travels around from place to place with a tent. Last August he reached Muncy Valley, a pretty little hamlet in Sullivan County nestled down among the hills, and pitched his tent, and seemed to be following the business of taking pictures. He soon formed the acquaintance of John R. Gansel, a stone-mason and sort of a village loafer and of somewhat dissolute habits. They became very thick, so much so that one day in October Constable Hess said to Gansel: "John, what's going on down at that tent? You and Lavelle must be doing some crooked work," whereupon Gansel told him they were getting ready to make counterfeit money, and wanted the constable to arrest them both at once, as he wanted to get out of it. The constable said he couldn't arrest them without evidence, and this Gansel promised to procure. Acting under the constable's advice he arranged with Lavelle who had the moulds, to go up on the mountain side and make some coin. This was done, and Gansel returned to Hess with the moulds and a coin, and then Hess notified the District Attorney at Laporte, and he notified the government, and an inspector was sent on by the Treasury department, who arrested Lavelle. A few days later Gansel was arrested on Lavelle's statement, which was as follows: That he never saw the moulds; that Gansel come to his tent because they could both play the violin; that when they went up on the mountain side they went for cider and apples, and to hunt coon; that Gansel made the moulds and the coins, and he knew nothing about it. There was much evidence to corroborate Gansel and none to corroborate Lavelle, so the Jury came in with a verdict of guilty as to Lavelle, and not guilty as to Gansel. Lavelle, who had been in jail for five months, was sentenced to 18 months in the Western Penitentiary at Pittsburg.

JAMES F. STOKER

James F. Stoker died in Philadelphia March 17, 1900, in his sixty-first year. The deceased was born in Fishingcreek Township, Columbia Co., where he spent the greater part of his life in farming. He was a son of John Stoker, one of the first settlers of Columbia Co, and the ninth child out of a family of 10 children, of whom 6 still live: Russell Stoker, Atalissa, Iowa, and Wm. M. Stoker and Ellis S. Stoker reside on the old homestead; Phoebe Hulmes and Mrs. John McHenry of Stillwater, and Mrs. Daniel Edgar of Orangeville.

Mr. Stoker moved to Philadelphia over 18 years ago and carried on a market on 40th Street ever since, where he gathered around him a host of friends, and his word was better than a bond. He leaves a widow, a grown up daughter and a host of friends to mourn their loss which is his eternal gain.

Death of Mrs. Mary Colley.

Mrs. May Boone, wife of Levi Colley, died at the German Hospital, Philadelphia, on Tuesday, the 13th, aged 31 years and 1 day. On Friday of last week, she was taken to Philadelphia to be placed in skilled hands for an operation for an inward trouble with which she has been afflicted for some time. She was hopeful of being restored to health and kept in good cheer, but never rallied or became conscious after the operation.

Mrs. Colley was a lady greatly beloved by her friends and neighbors; was a devoted wife and mother, and leaves many friends who heard of her death with great sorrow.

She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Boone, of Almedia, Columbia county, Pa., and has lived in Muncy ever since her marriage with the husband who survives her, together with a little daughter about 12 years old.

She was a member of the Baptist church, and funeral services were held from that church Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. R. R. Rock officiated, assisted by the choir of the church. Interment was made in Muncy cemetery.—*Muncy Luminary.*

A Rare Treat.

The musical entertainment in the Bellville Lutheran Church, given by the Susquehanna Uuiversity Glee, Mandolin and Guitar Clubs and Orchestra is one long to be remembered by the people of the far-famed Kishacoquillas Valley.

The singing by the large Glee Club held the audience spell-bound. Every piece was heartily encored, not only once but several times. The music by the Mandolin and Guitar Club and Orchestra was well rendered and received hearty applause. Special mention might be made of several tenor solos given by the leader, Mr. Nicholas and the manager, Mr. Wingard.

Although the weather was threatening yet the large auditorium was packed. None but words of praise can be heard from those who had the pleasure of hearing this Musical Organization and we bespeak a glorious future for the attainment of these young men.—Bellville *Times.*

This will be given in the Lutheran Church on Saturday evening, March 24th.

Fire on Tuesday morning damaged the power house of the American Car and Foundry Company at Milton to the extent of $3000.

Women as Well as Men Are Made Miserable by Kidney Trouble.

Kidney trouble preys upon the mind, discourages and lessens ambition; beauty, vigor and cheerfulness soon disappear when the kidneys are out of order or diseased.

Kidney trouble has become so prevalent that it is not uncommon for a child to be born afflicted with weak kidneys. If the child urinates too often, if the urine scalds the flesh or if, when the child reaches an age when it should be able to control the passage, it is yet afflicted with bed-wetting, depend upon it, the cause of the difficulty is kidney trouble, and the first step should be towards the treatment of these important organs. This unpleasant trouble is due to a diseased condition of the kidneys and bladder and not to a habit as most people suppose.

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Origin of Lent.

Ancients Observed Season of Fasting and Communicated With Gods.

"Three-fold Meaning of Lent" was the subject of the sermon preached by the Rev. Thomas Van Ness, of Boston, in the First Unitarian Church Twenty-second and Chestnut Streets, Philadelphia, Sunday morning.

"Lectin Tid," that is the lengthening time, was the name given to March, said the speaker, because in March there was a lenthening of days. The Teutonic priests fasted until the first of the year—March 25—to go into communication with Mother Erda, just walking to life, and to obtain from her divine revelations. As we know, fasting produces vivid dreams, and nearly all the ancient peoples supposed that the gods spoke to mortals through dreams. Going without food exhibited a power of self control and will power and the gods admired will power.

By the middle of the fifth century the Teutons were masters of Italy. Nominally they are converted to Christianity, but they still retain many of their old religious forms and customs, among others this habit of feasting through March. Wisely does the church, as it did with the Roman Saturnalia, occuring December 25, adopt the lencten season and in Pope Felix's time added to the length of time, making it thirty-six days, so that the bialical law of giving one-tenth might be observed, thirty-six days being one-tenth of a year. Four more days were added later to make the time correspond in length to that which Jesus was supposed to have spent in fasting while in the wilderness, and the official title quadragesima is given. However, the old pagan name of Lencten or Lent still survives.

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